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41st NATIONAL CONVENTION THE AMERICAN LEGION

August 22-27, 1959

MINNEAPOLIS - ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

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40th
Promenade Nationale

AMERICAN LEGION
AUXILIARY
39th
National Convention

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DES HUIT CHAPEAUS
ET QUARANTE FEMMES
38th
Marche Nationale

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"Welcome to the 41st National Convention!"

"The 41st National Convention of The American Legion has returned to the site of its historic first convention. In 1919, the organization was a new, unknown, and not entirely trusted force on the American scene.

"Its major problem was how to rebuild a life of peace after a shattering World War. In 1959, the problem is how to preserve—not just an uneasy peace of nuclear terror—but the entire democratic way of life in the United States and the whole Free World.

"It was a dramatic moment when, on November 11, 1919—the first anniversary of Armistice Day—Legionnaires, many of them still in their service uniforms, marched in their First National Convention Parade. There is no less drama as Legionnaires gather for their 41st Convention.

"During the four decades since its founding, The American Legion has earned a respected place in the life of the nation. What this 41st National Convention does and says will have its effect upon the course of history.

"Delegates will be called upon to establish policies of worldwide import. Their decisions will guide Legionnaires everywhere in the world struggle between Freedom and Communism. I am confident that those decisions will be based—as they have always been—on the simple criterion of what is best for America.

"As National Commander, I welcome each of you to this grand reunion. In the midst of the serious business of the convention, may you find time to enjoy the warm fellowship of comrades, new and old. When the final gavel falls, it is my hope that we all will return to our homes, strengthened in our purpose to build a greater American Legion, dedicated to the continued service of our country."

Preston J. Moore

NATIONAL COMMANDER

Past National Commanders

The American Legion 1919-1959

***Franklin D'Olier**
Pennsylvania 1919-20

****Frederick W. Galbraith, Jr.**
Ohio 1920-21

*****John G. Emery**
Michigan 1921

Hanford MacNider
Iowa 1921-22

Alvin M. Owsley
Texas 1922-23

John R. Quinn
California 1923-24

***James A. Drain**
District of Columbia 1924-25

***John R. McQuigg**
Ohio 1925-26

***Howard P. Savage**
Illinois 1926-27

***Edward E. Spafford**
New York 1927-28

***Paul V. McNutt**
Indiana 1928-29

***O. Lee Bodenhamer**
Arkansas 1929-30

***Ralph T. O'Neil**
Kansas 1930-31

Henry L. Stevens, Jr.
North Carolina 1931-32

Louis Johnson
West Virginia 1932-33

***Edward A. Hayes**
Illinois 1933-34

Frank N. Belgrano, Jr.
California 1934-35

Ray Murphy
Iowa 1935-36

Harry W. Colmery
Kansas 1936-37

Daniel J. Doherty
Massachusetts 1937-38

Stephen F. Chadwick
Washington 1938-39

Raymond J. Kelly
Michigan 1939-40

Milo J. Warner
Ohio 1940-41

Lynn U. Stambaugh
North Dakota 1941-42

Roane Waring
Tennessee 1942-43

Warren H. Atherton
California 1943-44

Edward N. Scheiberling
New York 1944-45

John Stelle
Illinois 1945-46

Paul H. Griffith
Pennsylvania 1946-47

James F. O'Neil
New Hampshire 1947-48

Perry Brown
Texas 1948-49

George N. Craig
Indiana 1949-50

Erle Cocke, Jr.
Georgia 1950-51

Donald R. Wilson
West Virginia 1951-52

Lewis K. Gough
California 1952-53

Arthur J. Connell
Connecticut 1953-54

Seaborn P. Collins
New Mexico 1954-55

J. Addington Wagner
Michigan 1955-56

Dan Daniel
Virginia 1956-57

John S. Gleason, Jr.
Illinois 1957-58

Past National Commanders by Vote of National Conventions

***Bennett Champ Clark**
Missouri—Presided at Paris caucus, March 1919

***Milton J. Foreman**
Illinois—Chairman, Executive Committee at Paris

***Henry D. Lindsley**
Texas—Presided at St. Louis caucus, May 1919

***Theodore Roosevelt, Jr.**
New York

Eric Fisher Wood
Pennsylvania—Temporary Chairman and Secretary at Paris caucus

Honorary National Commanders

***General John J. Pershing**

***Marshal Ferdinand Foch**

*Deceased
**Killed in auto accident while serving as Commander
***Elected by Executive Committee to fill unexpired term

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

June 1, 1959

Dear Commander Moore:

It is a pleasure to send greetings to my fellow Legionnaires assembled in their 41st National Convention.

During the four decades that have followed your first convention in Minneapolis, the Legion has played an important role in the life of the national community. By seeking to advance the building of peace with honor and justice, you are continuing the splendid tradition of world concern that characterized your wartime achievements.

I am delighted to add best wishes for a memorable convention.

Sincerely,

Dwight D. Eisenhower

Mr. Preston J. Moore
National Commander
The American Legion
1608 K Street, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.

The Honorable Orville L. Freeman

GOVERNOR
MINNESOTA

STATE OF MINNESOTA
EXECUTIVE OFFICE
SAINT PAUL 1

June 23, 1959

ORVILLE L. FREEMAN
GOVERNOR

Preston J. Moore
National Commander
THE AMERICAN LEGION
700 North Pennsylvania Street
Indianapolis 4, Indiana

Dear Commander Moore:

Minnesota is honored to have as its guests the Legionnaires from every state in the Union who will be attending the 41st National Convention of the American Legion in the Twin Cities. We are particularly pleased to have this opportunity to show each Legionnaire why Minnesotans consider their state the Star of the North and America's vacationland.

We are looking forward to the convention with some historical interest as well. This, as you know, is the third time the Legion has held its national meeting in Minnesota. In 1919, the second annual convention was held here as the first World War ended and the United States made its first exploratory steps in the global arena as a world power. Today, in 1959, our nation enters the crucial phases of a cold war and a time in history when immediate decisions will shape the events of the next decade.

The program and policies adopted by the Legion in Minnesota may well influence our ability to preserve the traditions of freedom and liberty we cherish so highly.

I am honored to welcome my fellow Legionnaires to Minnesota.

Sincerely yours,

Orville L. Freeman
GOVERNOR

Robert G. Hansen
COMMANDER
DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA

THE AMERICAN LEGION
DEPARTMENT OF MINNESOTA
STATE VETERANS SERVICE BUILDING
ST. PAUL 1

Fellow Legionnaires:

The 93,000 members of the Minnesota American Legion join with me in bidding you a hearty welcome to our state and this 41st national convention.

Minnesota, the land of 10,000 lakes, is happy to have you with us today, just as we were in 1919, when your first national convention was held here.

We are proud and happy that you have returned to our state. While you are here, we invite you to make use of the many fine post homes in the Twin Cities and elsewhere in the state. Our beautiful resorts, lakes teeming with fish and countless unexcelled recreational facilities await your pleasure.

We hope your stay with us will be pleasant and memorable; that you will come back soon to live or spend your vacation in the "Land of Sky Blue Waters," the star of the North, Minnesota.

Yours in Comradeship,
Robert G. Hansen
Robert G. Hansen
Department Commander

Carl Granning
ADJUTANT
DEPARTMENT OF
MINNESOTA

The Honorable Joseph E. Dillon

MAYOR
CITY OF ST. PAUL

City of Saint Paul
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
347 CITY HALL AND COURT HOUSE
ST. PAUL 2, MINNESOTA

June 11, 1959

JOSEPH E. DILLON
Mayor

Mr. Preston J. Moore,
National Commander,
The American Legion,
Indianapolis 4, Indiana.

Dear Commander Moore:

On behalf of city officials and the people of Saint Paul, it is my distinct pleasure to extend a warm welcome to my fellow Legionnaires throughout the United States and abroad who will be delegates and visitors to the 41st National Convention of The American Legion.

Saint Paul is proud, indeed, to act as co-host to this always significant and colorful convention. Many of our residents have pleasant recollections of the last visit of the National Convention to our city in 1924.

The American Legion, because of its high tradition of Americanism and excellent record in championing the causes of liberty and freedom so dear to those of us who cherish the American way of life, has always occupied a special place in the minds and hearts of Saint Paul area people.

It is our wish that the visiting Legionnaires enjoy themselves to the fullest while in Saint Paul and take home many wonderful memories of our capital city.

Best wishes for a highly successful and enjoyable convention!

Cordially,
Joseph E. Dillon
MAYOR

The Honorable P. Kenneth Peterson

MAYOR
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS

THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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June 18, 1959

Harold A. Kind
SECRETARY TO THE MAYOR

To the American Legion
41st Annual National Convention
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Dear Fellow Legionnaires:

Greetings and a cordial welcome to each of you on behalf of the City of Minneapolis. We are pleased to have you convene in our beautiful "City of Lakes".

I wish to commend each delegate personally for having been selected for this important Convention. This indicates clearly your role as a leader in your Legion organization, as well as your community.

You will find the people of our City eager to make your visit in Minneapolis pleasant and enjoyable. I would suggest that while in Minneapolis you not only visit our many lakes, parks and areas of scenic beauty, but also take note of the many projects in the older portions of town that are now under way to rebuild, modernize, and rebeautify our business community.

We are looking forward to your stay in Minneapolis and wish for you a most successful and gratifying Convention.

Yours sincerely,

P. Kenneth Peterson
MAYOR

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Indianapolis

Francis Polen
NATIONAL TREASURER
Indianapolis

Mrs. Charles A.
Herbert
NATIONAL HISTORIAN
New Jersey

Official Program

Meetings of

STANDING COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

41st Annual National Convention of The American Legion
Minneapolis - St. Paul, Minnesota

ECONOMIC COMMISSION: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; DAV Hall, 116 S. 13th St., Minneapolis.

AMERICANISM COMMISSION: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; Indiana Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

CHILD WELFARE COMMISSION: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; Michigan Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMISSION: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; Illinois Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

FINANCE COMMISSION: 9:30 a.m., August 21 to August 27 inclusive; National Adjutant's Suite, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMISSION: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; Minnesota Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; Dubonnet Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

REHABILITATION COMMISSION: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; New York and Washington Rooms, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

NATIONAL SECURITY COMMISSION: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; Twin Cities Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

PUBLICATIONS COMMISSION: 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; Chicago Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMISSION: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; Cleveland Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

EMBLEM COMMITTEE: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 20 and 21; Room 222, Minneapolis Municipal Auditorium.

REHABILITATION SCREENING COMMITTEE: August 20, 21 and 22; Room, 246, Minneapolis Municipal Auditorium.

CONTESTS SUPERVISORY COMMITTEE: Executive Section. August 21, 22 and 23; Grand Lounge, Territorial Hall, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

CONVENTION COMMISSION: August 21 to 27 inclusive; Vermilion Room, Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis.

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS COMMITTEE: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 to 27 inclusive: Distinguished Guests Suite, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

RESOLUTIONS ASSIGNMENT COMMITTEE: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21, 22 and 23; National Headquarters, West Hall, Minneapolis Municipal Auditorium.

EDUCATION & SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE: Executive Section. 3:00 p.m., August 23; Solarium, Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis.

GROUP INSURANCE COMMITTEE: Executive Section. 9:30 a.m., August 21 and 22; Parlor A, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE: 2:00 p.m., August 23; East Room, Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis.

CONVENTION COMMITTEES

The following Convention Committees will be composed of one delegate from each Department. Committees will hold their initial meeting at the times and places shown below. Subsequent meetings will be held at the call of the chairmen.

AMERICANISM: 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Indiana Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis

CHILD WELFARE: 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Michigan Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS: 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Iowa Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

CREDENTIALS AND INTERNAL ORGANIZATION: 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Illinois Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

ECONOMIC (EMPLOYMENT AND VETERANS' PREFERENCE): 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; DAV Hall, 116 South 13th Street, Minneapolis; (OTHER ECONOMIC MATTERS): 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; DAV Hall, 116 S. 13th Street, Minneapolis.

FINANCE: 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Wisconsin Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

FOREIGN RELATIONS: 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Minnesota Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

LEGISLATION AND RULES: 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Dubonnet Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

REHABILITATION (CLAIMS AND RATING): 10:00 a.m, Sunday, August 23; New York Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis; (HOSPITALS AND MEDICAL SERVICES): 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Washington Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

SECURITY (MILITARY): 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Twin Cities East Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis; (NAVAL): 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Twin Cities West Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis; (AERONAUTIC): 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Chicago Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis; (MERCHANT MARINE): 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Milwaukee-Detroit Rooms, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis; (CIVIL DEFENCE): 10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 23; Cleveland Room, Leamington Hotel, Minneapolis.

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The *Light* refreshment

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Joint Opening Session

The American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary

Tuesday, August 25, 1959

8:30 a.m.
CONCERT—National Championship Memorial Band, Harwood Post No. 5, Joliet, Illinois

9:00 a.m.
CALL TO ORDER—Preston J. Moore (Oklahoma), National Commander
ADVANCEMENT OF COLORS—Color Guard, Commonwealth Edison Post No. 118, Chicago, Illinois
SOLO—*The Star Spangled Banner,* Morton Downey, Official Soloist
INVOCATION—Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Twiss (Mass.), National Chaplain
CALL FOR CONVENTION—Emil A. Blackmore (Wyoming), National Adjutant

9:30 a.m.
ADDRESSES OF WELCOME:
Hon. Orville L. Freeman, Governor of Minnesota
Hon. P. Kenneth Peterson, Mayor of Minneapolis
Hon. Joseph E. Dillon, Mayor of St. Paul
Robert G. Hansen, Commander, Department of Minnesota, The American Legion
Judge Levi M. Hall, President, American Legion 1959 Convention Corporation

10:00 a.m.
RESPONSE TO ADDRESSES OF WELCOME—Harry W. Colmery, Past National Commander, The American Legion

10:15 a.m.
NATIONAL CONVENTION MEMORIAL SERVICE
Invocation—Rev. Feltham S. James, Past National Chaplain
SOLO—*There Is No Death*—Morton Downey, Official Soloist
Memorial Address—Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Twiss, National Chaplain
Lighting of Convention Peace Candle
Benediction—
Taps

10:45 a.m.
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

11:00 a.m.
GREETINGS:
Mrs. Charles W. Gunn (Oregon), National President, American Legion Auxiliary
Ray D. Marshall (Pennsylvania), Chef de Chemin de Fer, Forty and Eight
The Hon. Hubert H. Humphrey, Senior United States Senator from Minnesota
C. M. Tribur, Director, Civic Relationships, Boy Scouts of America
W. W. Eschelman, President, National Education Association
Sumner G. Whittier, Administrator, Veterans Administration

12:00 Noon
PRESENTATION OF MEDALLION TO THE CITY OF CHICAGO, the city in which the 1958 National Convention was held
Presentation By: John S. Gleason, Jr. (Illinois), Past National Commander
Response By: James P. Ringley, Representing the Mayor of Chicago

12:15 p.m.
THE AMERICAN LEGION MERCURY AWARDS
W. D. Maxwell, Managing Editor, The Chicago Thibune
Charles E. Wilson, Chairman, Industries Advisory Committee, Advertising Council, Inc.
David Lawrence, Editor, U.S. News & World Report

12:30 p.m.
REPORT OF NATIONAL COMMANDER MOORE

12:45 p.m.
PRESENTATION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION'S DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL
Presentation By: Seaborn P. Collins (New Mexico), Past National Commander
Response: The Hon. Robert S. Kerr, United States Senator from Oklahoma

1:00 p.m.
PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP AWARDS
REPORTS OF CONVENTION COMMITTEES

1:15 p.m.
CREDENTIALS AND INTERNAL ORGANIZATION
LEGISLATION AND RULES

1:45 p.m.
ADDRESS—The Hon. Richard M. Nixon, Vice President of the United States

2:15 p.m.
SALUTE TO COLORS AND RECESS

7:00 p.m.
NATIONAL COMMANDER MOORE'S DINNER TO DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
Address By—General Lauris Norstad, Supreme Allied Commander, Europe
Place—Hall of States, Hotel Leamington, Minneapolis

Wednesday, August 26, 1959

8:45 a.m.
CONCERT—National Championship Memorial Band, Harwood Post No. 85, Joliet, Illinois

9:00 a.m.
CALL TO ORDER—Preston J. Moore (Oklahoma) National Commander
SALUTE TO COLORS
THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER
INVOCATION—Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Twiss (Mass.), National Chaplain
REPORTS OF CONVENTION COMMITTEES

9:15 a.m.
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

9:30 a.m.
FINANCE

9:45 a.m.
ECONOMIC
Employment and Veterans Preference
Other Economic Matters

10:15 a.m.
AMERICANISM

10:45 a.m.
ADDRESS
Gen. L. L. Lemnitzer,
Chief of Staff,
U.S. Army
REPORTS OF CONVENTION COMMITTEES

11:15 a.m.
FOREIGN RELATIONS

11:30 a.m.
CHILD WELFARE

11:45 a.m.
REHABILITATION
Claims and Rating
Hospital and Medical Services

12:30 p.m.
SECURITY
Military
Naval
Aeronautics and Space
Merchant Marine
Civil Defense

1:00 p.m.
INTRODUCTION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

1:15 p.m.
ADDRESS—The Hon. Harry S. Truman, Former President of the United States

1:45 p.m.
SALUTE TO COLORS AND RECESS

Thursday, August 27, 1959

8:45 a.m.
CONCERT

9:00 a.m.
CALL TO ORDER—Preston J. Moore (Oklahoma), National Commander
SALUTE TO COLORS
THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER
INVOCATION—Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Twiss (Mass.), National Chaplain

9:15 a.m.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Including reports held over from previous sessions)

10:00 a.m.
ADDRESS—The Hon. Lyndon B. Johnson, United States Senior Senator from Texas, Democratic Leader of the Senate

10:30 a.m.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11:00 a.m.
ADDRESS— George Meany, President, American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations

11:30 a.m.
PRESENTATION OF SELECTIVE SERVICE CITATION

11:45 a.m.
GREETINGS—Hugh J. McGivern, President, Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans of Canada

12:00 Noon
SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS
ELECTION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS:
National Chaplain
Five (5) National Vice Commanders
National Commander

1:00 p.m.
PRESENTATION OF COLORS TO OUTGOING NATIONAL COMMANDER
Presentation by Dr. A. B. Rivers
Response by Commander Moore

1:30 p.m.
PRESENTATION OF COLORS TO INCOMING NATIONAL COMMANDER
Response by new National Commander

2:00 p.m.
PRESENTATION OF NEWLY ELECTED NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY; and
NEWLY ELECTED CHEF DE CHEMIN DE FER OF FORTY AND EIGHT
UNFINISHED BUSINESS
BENEDICTION
RETIREMENT OF COLORS
FINAL ADJOURNMENT

Note: The National Executive Committee will meet within twenty-four hours after the close of the convention, upon call of the National Commander.

Recipients of The American Legion

Distinguished Service Medal

Senator Robert S. Kerr
1959

Marshal Ferdinand Foch
of France — 1921
Adm. Earl Beatty
of Great Britain — 1921
Gen. Baron Jacques
of Belgium — 1921
Gen. Armando Diaz
of Italy — 1921
Charles Bertrand
of France — 1921
Gen. of the Armies
John J. Pershing
—1922
Adm. Robert E. Coontz
—1923
Gen. Josef Haller
of Poland — 1923
Ignace Jan Paderewski
of Poland — 1926
Comte Francois Marie Robert
Dejean
of France — 1927
Field Marshal Viscount Allenby
of Great Britain — 1928
Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis
—1929
Adm. William S. Sims
—1930
Gen. Douglas MacArthur
—1942
Gen. George C. Marshall
—1943
Adm. Ernest J. King
—1943
Hon. Frank Knox
(Posthumously) — 1944

Henry Ford
—1944
Gen. H. H. Arnold
—1944
President Franklin D. Roosevelt
(Posthumously) — 1945
Gen. Theodore Roosevelt, Jr.
(Posthumously) — 1945
Ernest (Ernie) Pyle
(Posthumously) — 1945
Hon. Henry L. Stimson
—1945
Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz
—1945
Gen. of the Army
Dwight D. Eisenhower
—1945
J. Edgar Hoover
—1946
Bob Hope
—1946
William Randolph Hearst
—1946
Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey
—1946
Hon. Cordell Hull
—1946
Lt. Gen. William S. Knudsen
—1947
Senator Edward Martin
—1947
Chief Justice Fred M. Vinson
—1947
President Harry S. Truman
—1949
George Herman (Babe) Ruth
(Posthumously) — 1949

Maj. Gen. Frank Parker
(Posthumously) — 1949
Charles F. Johnson, Jr.
—1950
Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord
—1950
Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers
—1950
Gen. Charles P. Summerall
—1951
Rep. Royal C. Johnson
(Posthumously) — 1953
Maj. Gen. George A. White
(Posthumously) — 1954
Dr. Jonas E. Salk
—1955
Maj. Gen. Ellard A. Walsh
—1955
Vice Adm. Joel T. Boone
—1956
Charles Stewart Mott
—1956
Gen. Mark W. Clark
—1957
The Most Reverend
Fulton J. Sheen
—1957
Bernard Mannes Baruch
—1958
Unknown Servicemen of
World War I, World War II,
and Korea, interred at the
Tomb of the Unknown Soldier,
Arlington National Cemetery
—1958

Distinguished Guests

Honorable Carl Albert
Congressman, Oklahoma

Maj. Gen. Leroy H. Anderson
Reserve Officers Association

Roy Anderson
George Hormel Company

Dr. Thomas M. Arnett
Deputy Assistant Chief Medical
Director for Planning
Veterans Administration

John Arnold
Sebring, Florida

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Patriotic and Memorial Program

Sunday, August 23

PATRIOTIC AND MEMORIAL PARADE

Assembly: Third Avenue South and Fifth Street, Minneapolis, 3:30 p.m.

Route: South on Third Avenue to Grant. Right on Grant to Auditoruim

Parade Order: National Color Guard. American Legion Memorial Band, Harwood Post 5, Joliet, Illinois. National Chaplain, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Twiss. Aumonier National, 40 & 8, the Rt. Rev. Msgr. George Towle. National Chaplain, American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Omar J. McMackin. Past Fourth District Chaplain, Rabbi Morris C. Katz. National Commander Preston J. Moore. National President, Amercian Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Charles W. Gunn. Chef de Chemin de Fer, 40 & 8, Ray Marshall. Le Chapeau National, 8 & 40, Mrs. A. P. Sundry. Uniformed groups. Gold Star Mothers.

MEMORIAL PROGRAM

Minneapolis Municipal Auditorium, 4:30 p.m.
The Rt. Rev. Msgr. John J. Twiss, Presiding.

ORGAN PRELUDE

Theodore Bergman, Organist, Department of Minnesota

PROCESSIONAL OF GOLD STAR MOTHERS

Commander's Color Guard. Commonwealth Edison Post, Chicago, Ill. American Legion Escorts. Marvin Johnson, Director. Honor Guard. Past National Commanders. Past National Presidents.

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"QUIT YOU LIKE MEN" (Dykema)

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"THE BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC"

(Arranged by Ringwald) Combined Choruses

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(Audience please remain standing until retirement of Gold Star Mothers)

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Victor Bergman, Organist

(In respect to their memory, may we ask that you maintain a reverent silence during this Memorial Program. PLEASE DO NOT APPLAUD.)

Church Services

(Within walking distance of the Headquarters Hotel in downtown Minneapolis)

BAPTIST

First Baptist Church
Tenth Street & Harmon Place
Dr. Curtis B. Akenson
Services at 11 A.M.

CATHOLIC

St. Olaf's Church
Eighth St. and Second Ave. So.
Bishop Leonard P. Cowley
Masses 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 - 10 (High)
11:30 and 12:30

Solemn Convention Mass

Sunday, August 23,
10:00 A.M.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Second Church of Christ, Scientist
Third Ave. So. and Ninth Street
Services at 10:30 A.M.

EPISCOPAL

Gethsemane Church
Fourth Ave. So. and Ninth St.
Rev. Harlan Coykendall
Services at 11 A.M.

LUTHERAN

Central Lutheran
Fourth Ave. So. at Grant
Pastors
A. Reuben Gornitzka
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L. S. Scheie
Services at 11 A.M.

METHODIST

Wesley Methodist
Marquette at Grant
Dr. John B. Oman
Services at 10:30 A.M.

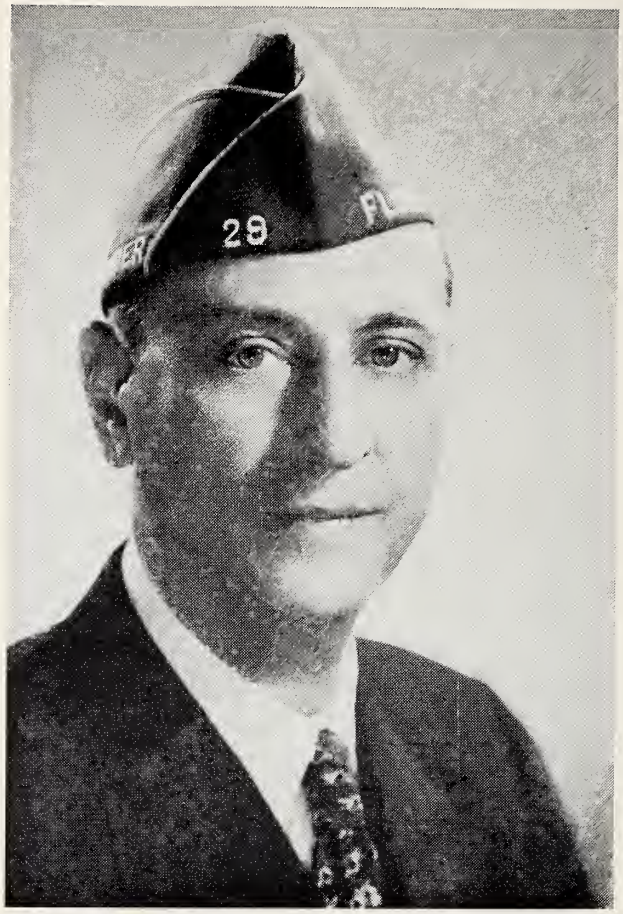
NAZARENE

First Church of the Nazarene
South Seventh St. at Twelfth Ave.
Rev. Robert E. Harding
Services at 10:45 A.M.

PRESBYTERIAN

Westminster Presbyterian Church
Nicollet Avenue at Twelfth
Services at 11 A.M.

In Memoriam



Joseph H. Adams

October 18, 1895 - June 2, 1959

Joe Adams—business executive, civic leader, American Legionnaire—passed away on June 2, 1959, while serving as Chairman of the National Convention Commission of The American Legion. He had served in the same capacity with devotion and distinction in 1952-1953, 1954-1955, and 1956-1957. He was three times President of the National Convention Corporation—in 1948, 1951, and 1955, when his beloved home community of Miami-Miami Beach served as host to the Convention. He was National Vice Commander of The American Legion in 1950-1951. His long experience and gracious efficiency contributed greatly to the success of the national reunion of Legionnaires for a decade.

FOR GOD AND COUNTRY

National Contests

Saturday and Sunday

August 22-23, 1959

Junior Drum and Bugle Corps Contest: 8:00 A.M., August 22, University of Minnesota Stadium. No admission charge.

Band Contest: 1:00 P.M., August 22, Northrop Auditorium and Northrop Field, University of Minnesota Campus. No admission charge.

Junior Band Contest: 2:00 P.M., August 22 Northrop Auditorium and Northrop Field, University of Minnesota Campus. No admission charge.

Color Guard Contest: 2:00 P.M., August 22, Delta Field, University of Minnesota Campus. No admission charge.

Junior Color Guard Contest: 1:00 P.M., August 23, Delta Field, University of Minnesota Campus. No admission charge.

Firing Squad Contest: 9:00 A.M., August 23, Delta Field, University of Minnesota Campus. No admission charge.

Chorus Contest: 2:30 P.M., August 23, Minneapolis Auditorium, on West Grant Street. No admission charge.

Motorcycle Drill Team Contest: 2:00 P.M., August 22, Graco Square Ramp, 60-11th Avenue N.E., Minneapolis. No admission charge.

Senior Drum and Bugle Corps Preliminaries: 8:00 A.M., August 23, University of Minnesota Stadium. No admission charge.

Senior Drum and Bugle Corps Finals and PARADE OF CHAMPIONS: 6:50 P.M., August 23, University of Minnesota Stadium.

Admission to Finals of Senior Drum and Bugle Corps Contest: $1.50 General Admission; $2.00 Reserved Seats. A special coupon in each registration packet may be used to reduce the cost of either General Admission or Reserved Seat Tickets by 50c. Tickets are on sale at all National Convention Information or Registration Booths and also may be purchased on the night of the Contest at the Box Office of the University of Minnesota Stadium.

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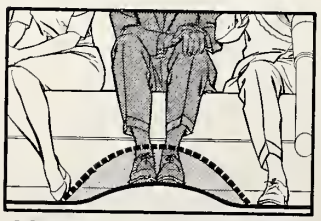

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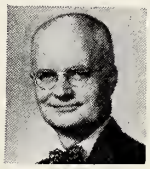

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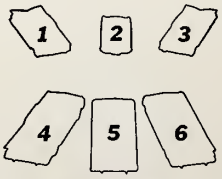

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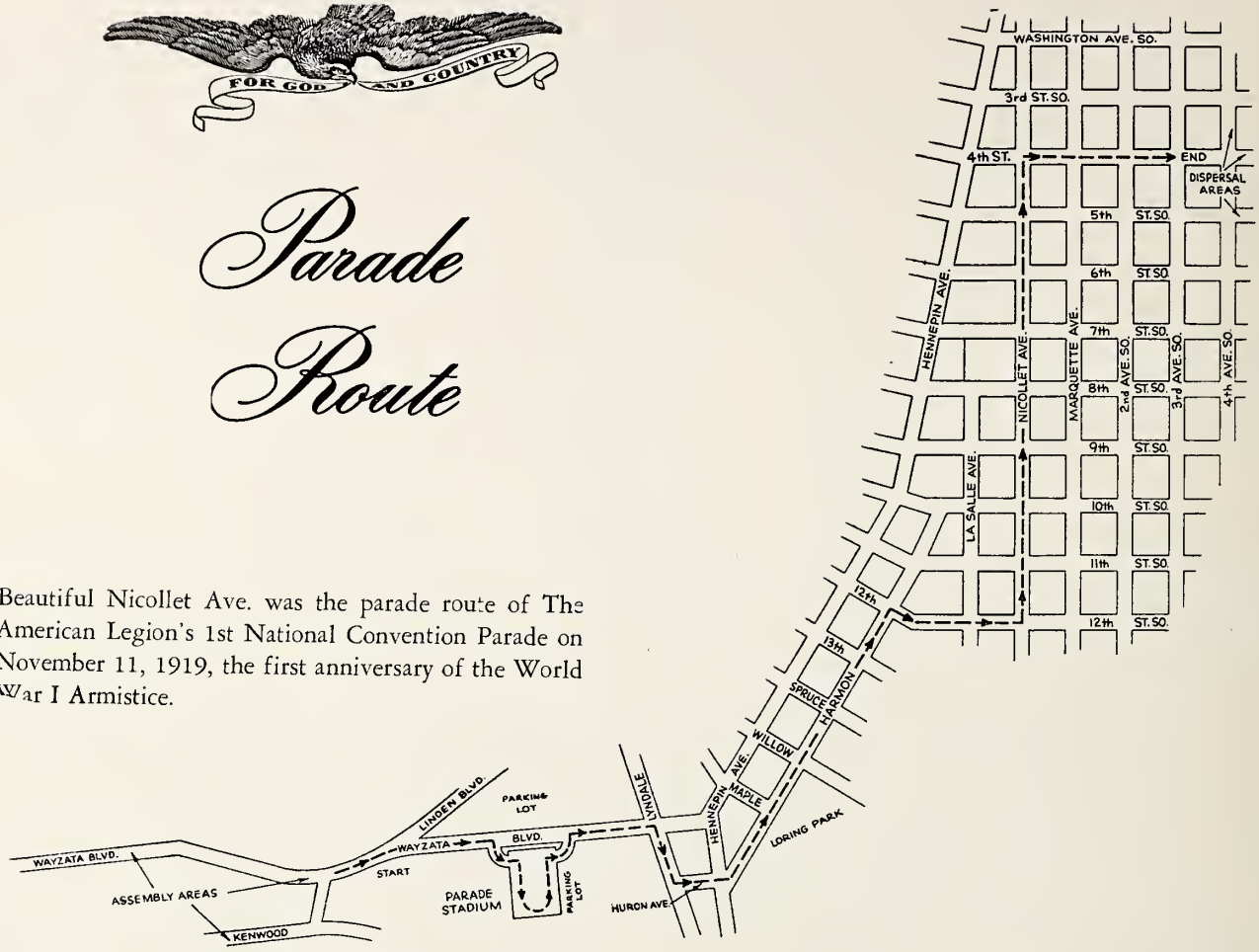
Parade Route

*Beautiful Nicollet Ave. was the parade route of The American Legion's 1st National Convention Parade on November 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the World War I Armistice.



Parade Information

41st Annual National Convention The American Legion

DATE & TIME: Monday, August 24, 1959 - 9:00 A.M.

FORMATION AREAS: Wayzata Blvd., Kenwood Parkway, Penn Ave. North, Linden Ave. (See Parade Orders, beginning on opposite page for Assembly Areas of delegations and other marching bodies.)

PARADE ROUTE: East on Wayzata Blvd., through Parade Stadium, back to Wayzata. East to Lyndale. South to Huron. East on Huron to Harmon. East on Harmon to 12th St. South on 12th St. to Nicollet Ave.* East on Nicollet Ave. to 4th St. South on 4th St. to 3rd Ave.

POINT OF DISPERSAL: 4th St. and 3rd Ave.

REVIEWING STAND: In the Parade Stadium.

SPECTATOR SEATING: Parade seats $1.50. Tickets will be on sale at Convention Registration Booths in Minneapolis and St. Paul

Parade Orders

of The American Legion National Convention Parade, August 24, 1959

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Adjutant General, State of Minnesota
MAJ. GEN. DERRILL M. DANIEL
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Omaha, Nebraska

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HONORABLE P. KENNETH PETERSON
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HONORABLE JOSEPH E. DILLON
Mayor of the City of St. Paul
MAJOR GENERAL ELLARD A. WALSH, RET.
Past President, National Guard Association
GENERAL PHILIP BETTENBURG
Commander Minnesota National Guard (Retired)

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COMMANDER DONALD H. LEDIN, U.S.N.
COL. ARTHUR W. DERN, U.S.A.F.
COL. JOHN DOLNEY, M.A.N.G.
COL. JOHN W. GRANT, M.N.G.
LT. COL. JOHN J. MELCHER, U.S.A.
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MAJOR ROBERT SCHWARTZ, U.S.A.

Parade Orders
The official parade of the Forty-First National Convention of The American Legion will be governed by the instructions contained herein, together with the Organization and March Time Table and Assembly Area Map which are made a part hereof.

1. TIME: (All times in this order are Minneapolis Daylight)
   (a) The leading elements of the parade will move from the "Initial Point" (Wayzata Blvd. and Linden Avenue promptly at 9:00 a.m., Monday, August 24, 1959, regardless of weather conditions.)
   (b) The time and place of assembly for each department or element of the parade will be shown in detail on the Organization and March Time Table and Parade Map (copy of which has been malied to each Department Adjutant and a copy of which will also be presented to the Department Parade Chairmen at the meeting of Parade Chairmen scheduled for July 23rd at 11:00 a.m. at 14 So. 9th St., Minneapolis.)
   (c) A Minnesota Legionnaire will be assigned to each department as liaison. He will meet his assigned department at its headquarters to direct its routing to the assembly area, following unloading. He will direct the buses to proper parking at the dispersal area and will meet his assigned department at the dispersal point, Third Ave. So. and 4th St., to direct his department to the parked buses.
   (d) Because of the nature of the assembly area, accurate logistics are paramount. PROMPTNESS IN ARRIVAL AT ASSEMBLY AREA IS OF THE ESSENCE.
   (e) Three aerial bombs will be fired to indicate approach to, and starting time; the first at 8:30 a.m., the second at 8:45 a.m., and the third at 9:00 a.m.
2. ROUTE:
   From the initial point—Wayzata Blvd. at Linden Ave.—the parade will continue east on Wayzata Blvd. into the Parade Stadium back onto Wayzata Blvd, continuing east to Lyndale Ave.—one block right to Huron—left on Huron continuing on to Harmon — Harmon to Twelfth St. — right on Twelfth St. to Nicollet Ave.—left on Nicollet Ave. to Fourth St.—right on Fourth St. to Third

Ave., the dispersal place.

3. ASSEMBLY AREA:
   (a) Assembly areas are indicated on the Organization and March Time Table and Assembly area Map.
   (b) Instructions for each department will be furnished by the Parade Committee and will be distributed as here-to-fore indicated.
   (c) Signs carrying Department Name will designate head of each Department assembly point.
   (d) Following departure of Second, Third, and Fourth Divisions, the Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Divisions will form on the same area.

4. ORGANIZATION:
   (a) All elements have been assigned to Divisions, each under the direction of a Marshal and a Parade Co-ordinator. The composition of these divisions, order of march, time and place of assembly is shown in the Organization and March Table and Assembly Area Map supplied to Department Parade Chairmen.
   (b) All Department of Defense units will be governed by applicable regulations.
   (c) Each Department Commander or appointed parade representative will be responsible for the order of march and promptness of arrival at assembly area of all the units of his department—all units conform to the following distribution and formation.
      (1) MASSED COLORS: Eight (8) abreast. All American flags, the department and post colors of each department and the department and unit colors of each department of the Auxiliary will be massed at the head of each department delegation in that order.
      (2) American Legion units within departments will march in formations eight abreast, one and one-half yards between ranks.
      (3) BANDS AND DRUM CORPS: (As directed by drum majors). Not to exceed eight (8) abreast.
      (4) AUTHORIZED FLOATS AND AUTOMOBILES: In single column. No unauthorized floats or automobiles will be permitted to participate.
      (5) No manuevers except for a forward movement. This is a MUST. All violators will be summarily dismissed from the parade.
   (d) DISTANCES:
      (1) Between divisions 30 yards
      (2) Between departments 20 yards
      (3) Between elements of a department 10 yards
   (e) All bands will play upon entering the Parade Stadium and continue to play to its exit.

5. DISBANDING AREA:
   Disbandment of the parade will be on Fourth St. So. at Third Ave. under the direction of the Minneapolis Police Department. The Minnesota Legionnaire assigned to each department as liaision will meet and direct his assigned department to its buses (unless the department's headquarters are in such proximity to the dispersal point as to make return by buses impractical).

6. OFFICIAL REVIEWING STAND:
   The official reviewing stand will be located in the west section of the Parade Stadium. Elements will render a salute to the National Commander while passing the reviewing stand. (Eyes right)
   NOTE: (Boy Scout with sign "Reviewing Stand 50 yards" will notify proximity)

7. ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN PARADE AND CONDUCT OF PARTICIPANTS:
   With the exception of the police and military and naval escort and distinguished guests, eligibility to participate in the parade is limited to the members of The American Legion, the uniformed bodies of The American Legion Auxiliary and the 40 & 8, subject to restriction of the following activities which shall be prohibited in the line of march:
   (a) The drinking of or simulated drinking of intoxicants.
   (b) Participants under the influence of intoxicating liquors.
   (c) Use of water pistols and electric shocking devices.
   (d) Female impersonators.
   (e) Firecrackers.
   (f) Locomotives or box cars with women passengers.
   (g) Any presentation or representation either immoral or in bad taste.
   (h) Distribution of souvenirs, promotional or advertising material either from floats or by marching units (to do so creates hazard in control of children).

   Violators of any of the above rules will be summarily removed from the parade.

8. FIRST AID STATIONS:
   First Aid Stations will be established at Assembly Area, the Parade Stadium, and at intervals of several blocks along the line of march.

9. PARKING OF CHARTERED OR POST BUSES AND TROOP CARRIERS:
After unloading in the Assembly Area, buses and troop carriers will proceed to dispersal area under supervision of the Minnesota Legionnaire assigned as liaison to a proper parking assignment. The liaison Legionnaire will meet his assigned department at the dispersal point (Fourth St. So. and Third Ave.) to conduct it to its parked buses (personal belongings and all equipment must be removed from the buses when unloading at Assembly Area).

Organization and March Time Table

Letters designate Divisions, numbers following each letter designtae elements at Assembly Area. Departments will assemble at point designated by a sign carrying Department name. All unloading and departure will be regulated by Co-ordinating Personnel (all arriving units MUST remain in buses until Division previously assigned to same area has departed).

First Division

Assemble on Wayzata Blvd. west of Parade Stadium—east of Waverly Place.

Assemble at 8:00 a.m.
Departure at 9:00 a.m.

1. Minneapolis and Minnesota Highway Police
2. Grand Marshal
3. Honorary Grand Marshal
4. Deputy Grand Marshal
5. Honorary Marshals
6. United States Naval Air Cadet Band, Pensacola, Florida
7. Division Marshal
8. Massed Service and National Colors
9. United States Army
   14th United States Corps (Reserves)
10. United States Marine Corps
    Provisional Marine Battalion
11. United States Navy
    Minneapolis Naval Air Station
    Navy Float
12. United States Air Force
    Strategic Air Command Band, Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska
    2465 Air Base Group
    2456 United States Air Force Float "Miss Fire Fly"
    2456 United States Air Force Crash Truck
    2456 United States Air Force Miniature Crash Trucks
    Civil Air Patrol—Girls' and Boys' Drill Teams
13. Army National Guard of United States:
    Massed Colors
    Major General Richard Cook and Staff
    47th Infantry Division Band
    State Headquarters Detachment, Minnesota National Guard
    Co. C, 1st Battle Group, 135th Infantry
    Co. D, 1st Battle Group, 135th Infantry
    Co. E, 1st Battle Group, 135th Artillery
    1st Howitzer Battalion, 151st Artillery
    Hq & Hq Battery, 2d Howitzer Battalion, 151st Artillery
    Battery B. 2d Howitzer Battalion, 151st Artillery
    Hq & Hq Battery 3d Rocket Howitzer Battalion, 151st Artillery
    Battery B, 3d Rocket Howitzer Battalion, 151st Artillery
    Company A, 682d Engr. Battalion
    147th Signal Battalion
    Hq & Hq Detachment, 204th Medical Battalion
    Company B, 204th Medical Battalion
    Hq Company, 47th Infantry Division
    47th Quartermaster Company
    47th Administration Company
    Company B, 747th Ordinance Battalion
    47th Aviation Company
    Heavy equipment
14. United States Naval Reserve:
    Naval Air Station Band
    Naval Air Station Group

Second Division

Assembly point west of Waverly Place—east of Penn Avenue.

Assemble at 8:30 a.m.

1. Division Marshal
2. American Legion 1958 National Championship Band
3. National Color and 1958 National Championship Color Guard
4. National Commander
5. National Officers
6. American Legion 1958 National Championship Drum and Bugle Corps
7. Past National Commanders
8. American Legion 1958 National Championship Chorus
9. Foreign and Outlying Departments
   Philippines, Mexico, Italy, Panama C.Z., France, and Canada

Third Division

Assembly point west of Waverly Place—east of Penn Ave. following Second Division

Assemble at 9:00 a.m.

1. Division Marshal

2. Mississippi
(extending back to S. Dak. sign)
3. South Dakota
(extending back to N. Mex. sign)
4. New Mexico
(extending back to La. sign)
5. Louisiana
(extending back to Alaska sign)
6. Alaska
(extending back to R. I. sign)
7. Rhode Island
(extending back to N. Dak. sign)

Fourth Division

Assembly point on Wayzata Blvd. following Third Division—east of Penn. Ave.

Assemble at 9:30 a.m.

1. Division Marshal
2. North Dakota
(extending back to Kan. sign)
3. Kansas
(extending back to Okla. sign)
4. Oklahoma
(extending back to Fla. sign)
5. Florida
(extending back to Mont. sign)
6. Montana
(extending back to Utah sign)
7. Utah
(extending back to Delaware sign)
8. Delaware
(extending back to Penn. Ave.)

Fifth Division

Assemble on Kenwood Parkway south of Wayzata Blvd. at Waverly Place.

Assemble at 10:00 a.m.

1. Division Marshal
2. Iowa
(extending back to Ga. sign)
3. Georgia
(extending back to N. J. sign)
4. New Jersey
(extending back to Ala. sign)
5. Alabama
(extending back to Calif. sign)
6. California
(extending back to Wyoming sign)
7. Wyoming
(extending back to Idaho sign)
8. Idaho
(extending back to N. C. sign)

Sixth Division

Assemble on Kenwood Parkway following Fifth Division north of Douglas Avenue.

Assemble at 10:30 a.m.

1. Division Marshal
2. North Carolina
(extending back to Nebr. sign)
3. Nebraska
(extending back to Ohio sign)
4. Ohio
(extending back to Missouri sign)
5. Missouri
(extending back to N. H. sign)
6. New Hampshire
(extending back to Indiana sign)
7. Indiana
(extending back to S. C. sign)
8. South Carolina
(extending back to Tenn. sign)

Seventh Division

Assemble on Kenwood Parkway follwing Sixth Division north of Douglas Avenue.

Assemble at 11:00 a.m.

1. Division Marshal
2. Tennessee
(extending back to Maine sign)
3. Maine
(extending back to Ky. sign)
4. Kentucky
(extending back to Conn. sign)
5. Connecticut
(extending back to Ariz. sign)
6. Arizona
(extending back to Wisc. sign)
7. Wisconsin

Eighth Division

Assemble on Wayzata Blvd. west of Waverly Place—east of Penn. Avenue.

Assemble at 11:30 a.m.

1. Division Marshal
2. Texas
(extending back to Ill. sign)
3. Illinois
(extending back to Va. sign)
4. Virginia
(extending back to Mich. sign)
5. Michigan
(extending back to Md. sign)
6. Maryland
(extending back to Oregon sign)
7. Oregon
(extending back to Ark. sign)
8. Arkansas
(extending back to N. Y. sign)
9. New York
(extending back to W. Va. sign)

10. West Virginia
(extending back to Penn. sign)

Ninth Division

Assemble on Wayzata Blvd. following Eighth Division—east of Penn. Avenue.

Assemble at 12:00 noon

1. Division Marshal
2. Pennsylvania
(extending back to Colo. sign)
3. Colorado
(extending back to Vt. sign)
4. Vermont
(extending back ot Wash. sign)
5. Washington
(extending back to Nev. sign)
6. Nevada
(extending back to Mass. sign)
7. Massachusetts
(extending back to D. of C. sign)
8. District of Columbia
(extending back to Hawaii sign)
9. Hawaii
(extending back to P. R. sign)
10. Puerto Rico
(extending back to Minn. sign)

Tenth Division

Assemble on Wayzata Blvd. following the Ninth Division extending to Cedar Lake Road with possible utilization of parallel South Service Road.

Assemble at 12:30 p.m.

1. Division Marshal
2. Minnesota

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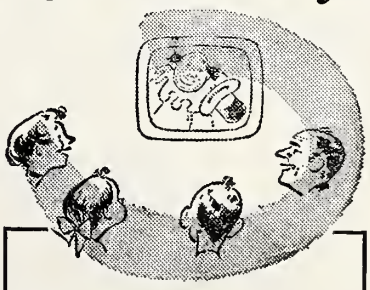

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39th Annual National Convention

August 24, 25, 26 and 27, 1959

Minneapolis Vocational High School and Technical Institute
Minneapolis, Minnesota

ADVANCE MEETINGS

Sunday, August 23, 1959

9:00 a. m. NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTE
Gold Room, Radisson Hotel

9:00 a. m. CREDENTIALS
Mrs. Grover Francis, Chairman
Spanish Room, Radisson Hotel

10:30 a. m. PERMANENT ORGANIZATION
Mrs. Forrest Erickson, Chairman
Room Italian B., Radisson Hotel

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Mrs. Oliver H. Kortjohn, Chairman
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CHILD WELFARE
Mrs. Henry Ahnemiller, Chairman
Ballroom, Radisson Hotel

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12:30 p. m. POPPY
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Mrs. Luther D. Johnson, Chairman
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1:00 p. m. REHABILITATION
Mrs. Alexander H. Gray, Chairman
Ballroom, Radisson Hotel

2:30 p. m. COMMUNITY SERVICE
Mrs. Walter W. Andrews, Chairman
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Mrs. Norman L. Biebel, Chairman
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4:30 p. m. MEMORIAL SERVICE

Monday, August 24, 1959

9:00 a. m. PARADE

1:00 p. m. REHEARSAL OF PAGES

7:30 p. m. OPENING SESSION — NATIONAL CONVENTION, AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
Minneapolis Vocational High School and Technical Institute
Mrs. Gladys Lee, Convention Organist

BAND CONCERT

PROCESSIONAL OF COLORS, NATIONAL OFFICERS AND DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
Mrs. Bert M. Count, Convention Chairman, Presiding

CALL TO ORDER BY THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT
Mrs. Charles W. Gunn

INVOCATION
Mrs. Omar J. McMackin, National Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG, led by
Mrs. O. L. Koger, Chairman, National Americanism Committee

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM
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St. Paul, Minn.

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PREAMBLE TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY, led by
Mrs. Russell V. Baker, Chairman, National Constitution and Bylaws Committee

READING OF THE CALL TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION
Mrs. Jane Gould Mayer, National Secretary

GREETINGS BY:
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ADDRESS BY MR. PRESTON J. MOORE, National Commander of The American Legion

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RADIO AND TELEVISION AWARDS CEREMONY

RETIREMENT OF THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S COLORS

Tuesday, August 25, 1959

8:30 a. m. CONVENTION RECONVENES
Convention Hall

ADVANCE OF COLORS

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Mrs. Elmer Chelstron, Minnesota

GREETINGS BY NATIONAL CONVENTION CHAIRMAN
Mrs. Bert M. Count

PRESENTATION OF CONVENTION CHAIRMEN
Mrs. Bert M. Count

ADDRESS: "Road to the Stars"
Mrs. Robert H. Goddard

REPORT OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES:
REHABILITATION
Mrs. Alexander H. Gray, Chairman
POPPY
Mrs. Monroe Mackey, Chairman
NATIONAL SECURITY
Mrs. Luther D. Johnson, Chairman
PAST PRESIDENTS PARLEY
Mrs. Rae Ashton, Chairman
JUNIOR ACTIVITIES
Mrs. Norman L. Biebel, Chairman
CIVIL DEFENSE
Mrs. Clarence B. Grund, Chairman

FINANCE
Mrs. Harold S. Burdett, Chairman

RETIREMENT OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S COLORS

10:45 a. m. RECESS

11:00 a. m. The American Legion Auxiliary will meet in joint session with The American Legion at Convention Hall

DIVISIONAL CAUCUSES

Radisson Hotel

3:00 p. m. CENTRAL DIVISION
Ballroom

NORTHWESTERN DIVISION
Spanish Room

WESTERN DIVISION
Admiral Room

SOUTHERN DIVISION
Room 329

EASTERN DIVISION
Gold Room

8:00 p. m. DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES DINNER

Wednesday, August 26, 1959

9:00 a. m. CONVENTION RECONVENES
Convention Hall

ADVANCE OF COLORS

CALL TO ORDER BY THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT
Mrs. Charles W. Gunn

INVOCATION
Mrs. Omar J. McMackin, National Chaplain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG, led by
Mrs. O. L. Koger, Chairman, National Americanism Committee

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM
Charles C. Fullmer, Soloist
St. Paul, Minn.

REPORTS OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES:
MUSIC
Mrs. Leslie B. McKinnon, Chairman
CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
Mrs. Russell V. Baker, Chairman
PAN AMERICAN STUDY
Mrs. Richard C. Snow, Chairman
COMMUNITY SERVICE
Mrs. Walter W. Andrews, Chairman
WOMEN'S FORUM ON NATIONAL SECURITY
Mrs. James Morris, Chairman

ADDRESS:
THE HONORABLE YOU CHAN YANG
Ambassador to the United States from Korea

REPORT OF NATIONAL HISTORIAN
Miss Fern A. Bender

REPORT OF NATIONAL CHAPLAIN
Mrs. Omar J. McMackin

PRESENTATION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

NOMINATION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

RECESS

1:30 p. m. CALL TO ORDER BY THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT
Mrs. Charles W. Gunn

REPORT OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES:
AMERICANISM
Mrs. O. L. Koger, Chairman
CHILD WELFARE
Mrs. Henry Ahnemiller, Chairman
EDUCATION AND SCHOLARSHIPS
Mrs. Leonard Miscall, Chairman
GIRLS STATE
Mrs. Walter H. Glynn, Chairman

PRESENTATION OF 1959 PRESIDENT OF GIRLS NATION

REPORT OF EIGHT AND FORTY
Mrs. A. P. Sundry
Le Chapeau National

PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS

RETIREMENT OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT'S COLORS

RECESS

7:00 p. m. STATES DINNER
St. Paul Auditorium

Thursday, August 27, 1959

8:30 a. m. CONVENTION RECONVENES
Convention Hall

ADVANCE OF COLORS

CALL TO ORDER BY THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT
Mrs. Charles W. Gunn

INVOCATION
Mrs. Omar J. McMackin, National Chaplain
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG, led by
Mrs. O. L. Koger, Chairman, National Americanism Committee
REPORT OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES:
LEGISLATIVE
Mrs. J. Howard McKay, Chairman
PUBLICATIONS
Mrs. E. A. Campbell, Chairman
MEMBERSHIP
Mrs. Henry M. Bailey, Chairman
RECOGNITION OF QUOTA DEPARTMENTS
FINAL REPORT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE
ELECTION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS
REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE
UNFINISHED BUSINESS
NEW BUSINESS
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS BY
Mrs. Willis C. Reed, Past National President
PRESENTATION OF COLORS TO THE RETIRING NATIONAL PRESIDENT BY
Mrs. E. A. Campbell, Past National President
RETIREMENT OF COLORS
ADJOURNMENT
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
(Immediately following adjournment)

1959 National Convention Committee Chairmen

American Legion Auxiliary

National Convention Chairman
Mrs. Bert M. Count

Vice Chairman
Mrs. M. W. Knoblauch

Convention Secretary
Mrs. Marion Hollenbeck

Badges
Mrs. Ernest Baran, Chairman
Mrs. June Jacobson, Vice Chairman

Decorations and Flowers
Mrs. Carl Lundgren, Chairman
Mrs. H. J. Helgeson, Vice Chairman

Distinguished Guests
Mrs. Frank B. Christlieb, Chairman
Mrs. Harold Chard, Vice Chairman

Eight and Forty
Mrs. Harold Fretag, Chairman
Mrs. Lloyd Dahl, Vice Chairman

First Aid
Mrs. Frank Lamson, Chairman
Mrs. Marie Sparrow, Vice Chairman

Flag Registration
Mrs. Dan Gerdes, Chairman
Mrs. Elmer Zemple, Vice Chairman

Halls and Seating
Mrs. Claude E. Morrill, Chairman
Mrs. Martha Rosenwald, Vice Chairman

Histories
Mrs. Robert Zengerle, Chairman
Mrs. Einer Johnson, Vice Chairman

Hospitality
Mrs. Edward G. Stoops, Chairman
Mrs. Wallace Hamilton, Vice Chairman

Information
Mrs. Elmer Nordlund, Chairman
Mrs. Carl J. Anderson, Vice Chairman

Junior Activities Display
Mrs. E. A. Kellerman, Chairman
Mrs. John Smith, Vice Chairman

Lost and Found
Mrs. T. L. Anderson, Chairman
Mrs. Paul L. Walker, Vice Chairman

Memorial
Mrs. James Walker, Chairman
Mrs. Frank Koppel, Vice Chairman

National Chairman's Lunch
Mrs. C. Fred Hanson, Chairman
Mrs. Clarence Johnson, Vice Chairman

National Officers' Dinner
Mrs. Edgar G. Vaughan, Chairman
Mrs. H. J. Lommell, Vice Chairman

Packets
Mrs. O. F. Condo, Chairman
Mrs. W. H. Berglund, Vice Chairman

Pages
Mrs. Elmer Chelstron, Chairman
Mrs. George Kurkowski, Vice Chairman

Pan-American Contest
Mrs. Harold Forciea, Chairman
Mrs. Roy Meehl, Vice Chairman

Past National Presidents' Dinner
Mrs. S. C. Lueben, Chairman
Mrs. J. T. Clark, Vice Chairman

Poppy Poster Contest
Mrs. Edward J. Cincera, Chairman
Mrs. Elmer Taubert, Vice Chairman

Press, Radio and TV
Mrs. C. R. Alexander, Chairman
Mrs. Phillip Adam, Vice Chairman

Registration
Mrs. Henry G. Finkle, Chairman
Mrs. John Christensen, Vice Chairman

Secretaries' Dinner
Mrs. Marion Hollenbeck, Chairman
Miss Blanche Scallen, Vice Chairman

States Dinner
Mrs. L. W. Binger, Chairman
Mrs. J. Pierce Clark, Vice Chairman

Transportation
Mrs. Carleton F. Boeke, Chairman
Mrs. Frida H. Farrell, Vice Chairman

La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux

National Officers

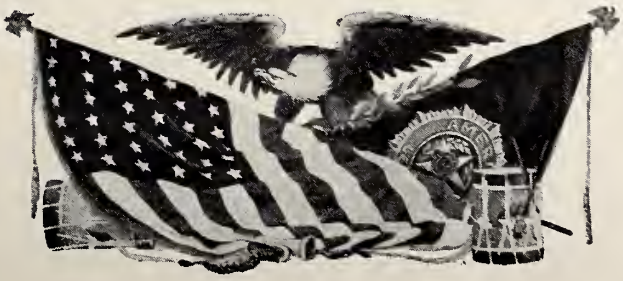
RAY D. MARSHALL
Chef de Chemin de Fer

C. W. Ardery
Correspondant National

N. Carl Nielsen
Commissaire Intendant National

Harry W. Wilson
General Chairman
Promenade Nationale Committee

John G. Alexander
Conducteur National



40th Promenade Nationale

La Societe des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux

August 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 1959
St. Paul Auditorium, Theatre Section
St. Paul, Minnesota

Saturday, August 22, 1959

9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m. REGISTRATION
Main Lobby—St. Paul Hotel and Lowry Hotel
Radisson, Leamington, Dyckman, Nicollet Hotels, Minneapolis

Sunday, August 23, 1959

9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m. REGISTRATION
All Minneapolis and St. Paul Hotels

10:00 p. m. MEETING OF CHEMINOTS NATIONAUX, 1959
Main Lobby, St. Paul Hotel
The Continental Room

Monday, August 24, 1959

9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m. REGISTRATION
All Minneapolis and St. Paul Hotels

THE AMERICAN LEGION PARADE

Tuesday, August 25, 1959

9:00 a. m. to 9:00 p. m. REGISTRATION
Theatre Lobby, St. Paul Auditorium
All Minneapolis and St. Paul Hotels

10:00 a. m. MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION
Second Floor, St. Paul Hotel
Room 234

10:00 a. m. MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS
Main Lobby, St. Paul Hotel
Capitol Room

10:00 a. m. MEETING OF COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ORDER
Main Lobby, St. Paul Hotel
Queen's Room

2:00 p. m. BAND CONCERT
Grande Voiture of North Dakota Band
St. Paul Auditorium

3:00 p. m. CALL TO ORDER
By Chef de Chemin de Fer Ray D. Marshall

ADVANCEMENT OF COLORS
Voiture 39, St. Paul, Minnesota

INVOCATION
By Aumonier National, Rt. Rev. George Towle

READING OF PROMENADE NATIONALE CALL
By Correspondant National Ardery

GREETINGS
Hon. Joseph E. Dillon, Mayor of St. Paul

GREETINGS
Hon. P. Kenneth Peterson, Mayor of Minneapolis

GREETINGS
William F. Proetz, Chief of Police, St. Paul

GREETINGS
Kermit Hedman, Sheriff of Ramsey County

GREETINGS
Harry W. Wilson, General Chairman
Promenade Nationale Committee

GREETINGS
John A. Curtis, Grand Chef de Gare
Minnesota, 1959

GREETINGS
Preston J. Moore, Stillwater, Oklahoma
The American Legion, National Commander

GREETINGS
John G. Alexander, Minnesota
Conducteur National, 1959

RESPONSE
Chef de Chemin de Fer Ray D. Marshall

INTRODUCTION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

REPORTS OF NATIONAL OFFICERS
1. Chef de Chemin de Fer
2. Commissaire Intendant National
3. Correspondant National
4. Historien National

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
1. Credentials
2. Rules and Order
3. Permanent Organization

ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS, ETC.

4:00 p. m. MEMORIAL SERVICES
Conducted by Aumonier National, 1959, Rt. Rev. George Towle

RETIREMENT OF COLORS

RECESS

8:00 p. m. ANNUAL FORTY AND EIGHT PARADE
(See Special Parade Orders)

10:00 p. m. BLUE CHAPEAU DANCE
Ballroom, St. Paul Hotel
Sponsored by Voiture 39, St. Paul

Wednesday, August 26, 1959

9:30 a. m. MEETING OF ALL COMMITTEES OTHER THAN CREDENTIALS, RULES AND ORDER AND PERMANENT ORGANIZATION
St. Paul Hotel

VOITURE ACTIVITIES
Continental Room

FINANCE
Queen's Room

RESOLUTIONS
Room 234

CHILD WELFARE
Casino Room

NURSES TRAINING
Casino Room

RITUAL
Casino Room

CONSTITUTION
Continental Room

1:00 p. m. CALL TO ORDER
By Chef de Chemin de Fer Ray D. Marshall

ADVANCEMENT OF COLORS

INVOCATION
By Aumonier National, Rt. Rev. George Towle

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES
1. Voiture Activities
2. Finance
3. Resolutions
4. Child Welfare
5. Nurses Training
6. Ritual
7. Trophies and Awards (Permanent Committee)
8. Constitution

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS 1960
1. Chef de Chemin de Fer
2. Sous Chefs de Chemin de Fer (6)
3. Commissaire Intendant National
4. Aumonier National
5. Gardes de la Porte Nationaux (2)
6. Historien National
7. Drapeau National

RETIREMENT OF COLORS

BENEDICTION
By Aumonier National, 1960

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING OF CHEMINOTS NATIONAUX
Immediately following adjournment of Promenade Nationale

7:00 p. m. PROMENADE NATIONALE BANQUET
Ballroom, St. Paul Hotel
Dress optional

Banquet tickets on sale at all Registration Booths, and at the door. $7.50 per person

Forty and Eight Parade

40th Promenade Nationale, St. Paul, Minnesota
Tuesday, August 25, 1959 - 8:00 p.m.

Assembly: State Capitol Approach Area
(See Special Orders for States Assembly Streets)

Parade Starting Point: Columbus at Iglehart
Reviewing Stand at: St. Peter St. between 6th and 7th Streets

Escort of Police
The Grand Marshal
WILLIAM E. ARMSTRONG, Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1958
Honorary Grand Marshal
HARRY W. WILSON, General Chairman,
1959 Promenade Nationale
Chief of Staff
M. F. "MIKE" JORDAN, Sous Conducteur National, 1959
Deputy Chiefs of Staff
FRANK A. SCHMIDT, Asst. Chief, St. Paul Police
DON SCHAEFER, Deputy Sheriff, Ramsey County
Honorary Grand Marshals
WILLIAM F. PROETZ, Chief, St. Paul Police
KERMIT HEDMAN, Sheriff Ramsey County
JOSEPH E. DILLON Mayor, City of St. Paul
P. KENNETH PETERSON, Mayor, City of Minneapolis
JOHN G. ALEXANDER, Conducteur National, 1959
Sous Conducteurs Nationaux, 1959
MICHAEL I. MANN
DONALD L. MULLIGAN
JACKSON W. PETTER
ROY F. MORGAN
EVERETT Z. GETTEN
HARRY R. KERRICK

FIRST DIVISION

ASSEMBLY: State Capitol Approach Area
Grande Voiture of North Dakota Band
Marshal
JACK D. WILSON
Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1959
Deputy Marshal
STAFFORD KING
State Auditor of Minnesota

Deputy Chief of Staff
ROBERT CHERMAK

RAY D. MARSHALL
Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1959
Chefs de Chemin de Fer Passe

George Dobson
Stanley M. Doyle
Charles A. Mills
Sam R. Heller
John D. Crowley
Fred M. Fuecker
Fred G. Fraser
James O. Sheppard
Edward A. Mulrooney
Ben C. Hilliard, Jr.
Oscar C. Lamp
Spence S. Eccles
Sid M. Ferree
John P. Conmy
E. Snapper Ingram
William D. Lyons
Guy Land
Harold J. Riley
Clarence E. Smith
Harold V. Haines
George B. Boland
Al B. Clarke
J. Earl Simpson
William A. Schlupp
Chester F. Naumowicz
William E. Armstrong
Henry M. Green
C. W. Ardery

N. Carl Nielsen, Commissaire Intendant National
Rt. Rev. George Towle, Aumonier National
Harry W. Wilson, Historien National
Abe Bodaness, Drapeau National
Harold J. Taylor, Garde de la Porte National
Frank P. Fields, Garde de la Porte National

SECOND DIVISION

ASSEMBLY: State Capitol Approach Area

Marshal
John M. Hobble, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1959

Deputy Marshal
Martin A. Nelson, Asso. Justice, Supreme Court, Minnesota

Deputy Chief of Staff
Col. Paul Calder

Band

1. Illinois
2. Pennsylvania
3. Ohio

THIRD DIVISION

ASSEMBLY: State Capitol Approach Area

Marshal
E. Al Walz, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1959
Thomas Gallagher, Asso. Justice, Supreme Court, Minnesota

Deputy Chief of Staff
Robert Fitzgerald

Promenade Nationale Drum & Bugle Corps
Voiture 468, Akron, Ohio

4. Indiana
5. New York
6. California
7. Wisconsin
8. Iowa
9. Michigan
10. Massachusetts

FOURTH DIVISION

ASSEMBLY: State Capitol Approach Area

Marshal
Percy A. Shipp, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1959

Deputy Marshal
Robert V. Rensch, District Judge

Deputy Chief of Staff
M. J. Wallin

Band

11. Missouri
12. Florida
13. North Carolina
14. Washington
15. New Jersey
16. Texas
17. Nebraska
18. Louisiana
19. Mississippi
20. Kansas
21. Oregon

FIFTH DIVISION

ASSEMBLY: State Capitol Approach Area

Marshal
John J. Preboske, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1959

Deputy Marshal
H. P. "Pat" Goodin, State Senator, Minnesota

Deputy Chief of Staff
Joe Zimmerman

Band

22. West Virginia
23. Georgia
24. South Carolina
25. Kentucky
26. North Dakota
27. Maryland
28. Connecticut
29. Tennessee
30. Virginia
31. Colorado
32. Oklahoma
33. Maine
34. New Hampshire
35. Arizona
36. South Dakota
37. Montana
38. Arkansas
39. Alabama
40. District of Columbia
41. Idaho
42. New Mexico
43. Vermont
44. Rhode Island
45. Wyoming
46. Utah
47. Delaware
48. Nevada
49. Alaska
50. Panama
51. France
52. Germany
53. Okinawa
54. Mexico
55. Hawaii
56. Bermuda

SIXTH DIVISION

ASSEMBLY: State Capitol Approach Area

Marshal
C. H. Russell, Sous Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1959

Deputy Marshal
Robert "Bob" Hutchinson, Minnesota First Cheminot National, 1920

Deputy Chiefs of Staff
William Wallace
Richard J. "Dick" Berry

57. Host Grand Voiture — Minnesota

DISBANDING POINT: 5th Street between Market and 7th Streets

Disbanding Committee
Frank A. Schmidt, Don Schaefer, Kermit Hedman, and Division Chiefs of Staff.

Salon National La Boutique Des Huit Chapeaux et Quarante Femmes

38TH ANNUAL MARCHE

August 21 and 22, 1959

Radisson Hotel
Minneapolis, Minnesota

Official Program

Registration

Radisson Hotel — Mezzanine
Thursday, August 20 — 3 p.m. to 9 p.m.
Friday, August 21 — 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m.
Saturday, August 22 — 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Friday, August 21

Pre-Marche Committee Meetings

CHILD WELFARE
Miss Rosemray Kirkhoff, Chairman
Admiral Room—10 a.m. to Noon

NATIONAL JEWISH HOSPITAL
Mrs. Ilene Cox, Liaison Chairman
Admiral Room—10 a.m. to Noon

CREDENTIALS
Mrs. Charles Van Ness, Chairman
Room of La Secretaire Nationale—
10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
Mrs. Thomas McManus, Chairman
Italian Room A—10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

FINANCE
Mrs. Ellen Lou Warren, Chairman

HISTORIES AND TROPHIES DISPLAY
Friday and Saturday—
Spanish Room

PARTNERSHIP
Mrs. William J. Schlau, Chairman
Italian Room C—10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION
Mrs. Paul Staats, Chairman
Italian Room A—11 a.m. to Noon

RESOLUTIONS
Mrs. Howard Simmons, Chairman
Italian Room B—10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

National Officers

Mrs. A. P. Sundry
Le Chapeau National

Mrs. George C. Speir

La Secretaire-Cassiere Nationale

RITUALS AND EMBLEMS
Mrs. Omar Cadorette, Chairman
Room 329—10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
RULES AND ORDER
Mrs. James Collins, Chairman
Italian Room B—11 a.m. to Noon
SCHOLARSHIP
Mrs. Harold Hartenbower, Chairman
Room 328—10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
TROPHIES AND AWARDS
Mrs. B. F. Updike, Chairman
Italian Room C—11 a.m. to Noon
REHEARSAL
La Concierge and Pages
Gold Room—10 a.m. to Noon

Pre-Marche Pouvoir

Radisson Hotel - Admiral Room - 1 p.m.

Divisional Caucuses
10:00 p.m.

Eastern Division .....Gold Room
Southern Division .....Italian Room A
Central Division .....Admiral Room
Western Division .....Room 329
Northwestern Division .....Italian Room C

La Marche Nationale

Radisson Hotel - Gold Room

Opening Session

August 21 - 7:30 p.m.

PROCESSIONAL OF NATIONAL OFFICERS,
Chapeaux National Passe, and Distinguished Guests
CALL TO ORDER
Mrs. A. P. Sundry
Le Chapeau National
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Mrs. Claude Golding
La Concierge National
INVOCATION
Mrs. James Casserly
L'Aumonier Nationale
"FLANDERS FIELD"
Mrs. I. A. Schulte
Le Demi-Chapeau National, Central Division
"AMERICA'S ANSWER"
Mrs. Walter Johnson
Le Demi-Chapeau National, Western Division
THE NATIONAL ANTHEM
ROLL CALL
Mrs. George G. Speir
La Secretaire-Caissiere Nationale
READING OF CALL TO LA MARCHE NATIONALE 1959
READING OF MINUTES OF LA MARCHE NATIONALE 1958
GREETINGS
Mrs. Clara Pott
Le Chapeau, Departemental de Minnesota
GREETINGS
Hon. P. Kenneth Peterson,
Mayor of Minneapolis
Mr. William Miller,
National Legion Convention Director
Mrs. Bert Count,
National Auxiliary Convention Chairman
Mrs. C. Fred Hansen, Department President,
Department of Minnesota
Mr. Robert G. Hansen, Department Commander,
Department of Minnesota
Mr. John A. Curtis, Grand Chef de Gare,
Forty and Eight
Mr. Randel Shake,
National Child Welfare Director
GREETINGS
By Demi-Chapeaux Nationaux and
Introduction of Chapeaux
Departementaux
Mrs. James Gleason, Eastern Division
Mrs. Harry J. Slepegrell, Southern Division
Mrs. I. A. Schulte, Central Division
Mrs. Albert B. Nelson, Northwestern Division
Mrs. Walter Johnson, Western Division
GREETINGS
By Le Chapeaux Nationaux Passes
Mrs. Harry Kehm
Mrs. Walter L. Davol
Mrs. John A. Gordon
Mrs. Hugh McClung
Mrs. Charles Seymour
Mrs. George Murphy
Mrs. Ellen Louise Warren
Mrs. Dee P. Davis
Mrs. Valentine Delles
Mrs. Edsel Swanner
Mrs. Crawford J. Mortensen
Mrs. A. D. Craig
Mrs. Lowell C. Allen
Mrs. Leo C. Colton
Mrs. Robert Haws
Mrs. Raymond Chenault
Mrs. Herman Edwards
Mrs. Otis Aaron
Mrs. Ray A. Stratton
Mrs. Robert C. Snow

SALUTE TO THE LEGION FOR FORTY YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

At this 1959 Convention, American Legionnaires can look back proudly on four decades of high achievement in veterans' welfare and in zealous support of education, youth work, health activities, and above all, patriotic vigilance to preserve America's heritage of freedom.

Schenley, one of America's great corporations, is proud to add its congratulations to the Legion on this occasion, and is proud, too, that so many Legionnaires have come to favor Schenley products.

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Schenley Distillers Company, N.Y., N.Y.

Mrs. M. Stephens Hunnicutt
Mrs. Bess E. Harrison
Mrs. Mayro Cox

REPORTS OF SPECIAL MARCHE COMMITTEES

CREDENTIALS
Mrs. Charles Van Ness

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION
Mrs. Paul Staats

RULES AND ORDER
Mrs. James Collins

NOMINATION OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL PAGES
Mrs. Edsel Swanner
Chairman of Pages
Mrs. W. P. Moore
Mrs. Roy Jackson
Mrs. Luther Durham
Mrs. Mary Lewis
Mrs. Joseph Delpha
Mrs. R. H. Greger
Le Chapeau Personal Pages
Mrs. Clyde Finley
Mrs. Andres Frazier
Mrs. Hannah Lawton
La Secretaire Personal Page

LES MARECHALS
Miss Edna Mae Unfer
Mrs. Eugene Holland

REPORTS OF NATIONAL OFFICERS
Mrs. A. P. Sundry, Le Chapeau National
Mrs. George G. Speir,
La Secretaire-Caissere Nationale
Mrs. John A. Gordon, L'Avocate
Mrs. James Michelet, L'Archiviste Nationale
Mrs. James Casserly, L'Aumonier Nationale
Mrs. Claude Golding, La Concierge Nationale
Mrs. Ray A. Stratton, Editor, "Hat Box"

RECESS

Marche Session
August 22 - 9:00 a.m.

INVOCATION
Mrs. James Casserly
L'Aumonier Nationale

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Mrs. Claude Golding
La Concierge Nationale

PRESENTATION OF MARCHE COMMITTEES
By the National Marche Chairman
Mrs. Harold Fretag

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND INTRODUCTION OF AREA CHAIRMEN

CHILD WELFARE
Miss Rosemary Kirkhoff

CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
Mrs. Thomas F. McManus

FINANCE
Mrs. Ellen Lou Warren

NATIONAL JEWISH HOSPITAL
Mrs. Mayro Cox

PARTNERSHIP
Mrs. William J. Schlau

RITUAL AND EMBLEMS
Mrs. Omar Cadorette

SCHOLARSHIP
Mrs. Harold Hartenbower

TROPHIES AND AWARDS
Mrs. B. F. Updike

MEMORY BOOK CHAIRMAN
Mrs. W. M. Reese

GREETINGS
Mr. Preston J. Moore
National Commander, The American Legion
Mrs. Charles W. Gunn
National President,
American Legion Auxiliary
Mr. Ray S. Marshall
Chef de Chemin de Fer, Forty and Eight
Mrs. Henry Ahnemiller
National Child Welfare Chairman,
American Legion Auxiliary
Mr. Arthur Wilkie
National Child Welfare Chairman,
The American Legion
Mrs. Alexander H. Gray
National Rehabilitation Chairman,
American Legion Auxiliary
Mr. O. J. Laubenthal
Director of Child Welfare, Forty and Eight
Mrs. Jane Gould Mayer
National Secretary, American Legion Auxiliary
Mr. Philip Houtz
Executive Director, National Jewish Hospital
Mr. Ed Wieland
Assistant Director, Child Welfare Division,
The American Legion

MEMORIAL SERVICE
Mrs. James Casserly
L'Aumonier Nationale

RECESS FOR LUNCH

Marche Reconvenes 1:00 p.m.

REPORT OF RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE
Mrs. Howard Simmons

ADDRESS
Mrs. William H. Biester, Jr.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

RATIFICATION OF ELECTION OF
DEMI-CHAPEAUX NATIONAUX

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

PRESENTATION OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS

SONG

RECESS

August 22 - 7:30 p.m.

Marche Nationale Banquet

Ball Room - Radisson Hotel

ENTERTAINMENT
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
PRESENTATION OF LE CHAPEAU
NATIONAL PASSE PIN
By Mrs. Mary Haws
ADJOURNMENT

August 24 - 9:00 a.m.

Post Marche Pouvoir

Admiral Room - Radisson Hotel

Special Marche Committees

CREDENTIALS
Mrs. Charles Van Ness, Chairman
Mrs. W. E. Zingerle
Mrs. Ann Andrews
Mrs. A. L. Laque

DISTINGUISHED GUESTS
Mrs. Leo C. Colton, Chairman
Mrs. Mary Haws
Mrs. Harry Kehm
Mrs. C. J. Mortensen
Mrs. Val Delles
Mrs. George Murphy
Mrs. Hugh McClung
Mrs. M. S. Hunnicutt
Mrs. Bess Harrison
Mrs. Raymond Chenault
Mrs. Mayro Cox

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION
Mrs. Paul Staats, Chairman
Mrs. Fred Berckhemer
Mrs. Loretta Oliger
Mrs. Mary Oxley

RESOLUTIONS
Mrs. Howard Simmons, Chairman
Mrs. Lewis Unfer
Mrs. W. W. Sparrow
Mrs. Raymond Tschummi

RULES AND ORDER
Mrs. James W. Collins, Chairman
Mrs. O. H. Robinson
Mrs. R. L. McCalla, Jr.
Mrs. Fred Gilho

LES MARECHALS
Miss Edna Mae Unfer
Mrs. Eugene Holland

PAGES
Mrs. Edsel Swanner, Chairman
Mrs. W. P. Moore
Mrs. Roy Jackson
Mrs. Luther Durham
Mrs. Mary Lewis
Mrs. Joseph Delpha
Mrs. R. H. Greger

JUDGE OF ELECTION
Mrs. Franklin Sickle

TELLERS
Mrs. Raymond Hall
Mrs. C. L. Sonnantine
Mrs. Bernard Hershorn

MARCHE OFFICIAL PHOTOGRAPHER
Mrs. William Reese

1959 Marche Nationale

Local Committees

Departemental of Minnesota

CHAIRMAN
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Wednesday, August 26, 7:00 P.M.
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American Legion Press Association

Sunday, August 23
North Shore Room
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Business Meeting—2:00 P.M.
Dinner 5:30 P.M.
The Lakeland Room
Pick-Nicollet Hotel

20 & 4 Meetings Cadre Meeting

Birchwood Room—Hotel Nicollet
Friday, August 21—8:00 P.M.
Sunday, August 23—1:00 P.M.

National Bivouac

Lakeland Room—Hotel Nicollet
Saturday, August 22—9:00 A.M.
Banquet—7:30 P.M.

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Wednesday, August 26
Minnesota Room,
Donaldson's, Southdale
(Contact Ada Hosford,
Sheridan Hotel)
Assembly 12:30 at
Sheridan Hotel for
Transportation to Southdale

Society of American Legion Founders

Saturday, August 22
Business Meeting
2:00 P.M.
Minneapolis Athletic Club

Reception—5:00 P.M.
Dinner—6:00 P.M.

National Historian's Breakfast

Wednesday, August 26, 8:00 A.M.
Dubonnet Room
Hotel Leamington
(Contact Mrs. Emily J. P. Herbert,
Hotel Leamington)

National Chaplain's Breakfast

Monday, August 24, 7:30 A.M.
Dubonnnet Room
Hotel Leamington

Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada

United States Chapter

Luncheon
Sunday, August 23, 11:30 A.M.
Minneapolis Athletic Club
The Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada also invites delegates and visitors to visit its booth in the Municipal Auditorium

Department Secretaries' Dinner

American Legion Auxiliary
Tuesday, August 25, 8:00 P.M.

Forty and Eight Promenade Nationale Banquet

Wednesday, August 26, 7:00 P.M.
Ballroom
St. Paul Hotel
(Dress optional. Tickets $7.50)

Eight and Forty Marche Nationale Banquet

Saturday, August 22, 7:30 P.M.
Ball Room
Radisson Hotel
Minneapolis

The Twin Cities

Because of their geographical position, the Twin Cities, Minneapolis and St. Paul, dominate a vast area, stretchnig from western Wisconsin, across the Dakotas and Montana, to the far-off Rocky Mountains. It was almost fore-ordained then that they should emerge as centers for rail and truck transport and wholesaling. And, because they are by far the largest cities in the area, the Twins naturally fell heir to the position of retail trade centers.

The basic industry during the early history of Minneapolis was flour milling. This was due chiefly to the vast area of wheat in Minnesota and adjacent states and the cheap, handy power supplied by St. Anthony Falls in the Mississippi river. Later, diversified agriculture increased the importance of other products in relationship to flour milling, but Minneapolis remains

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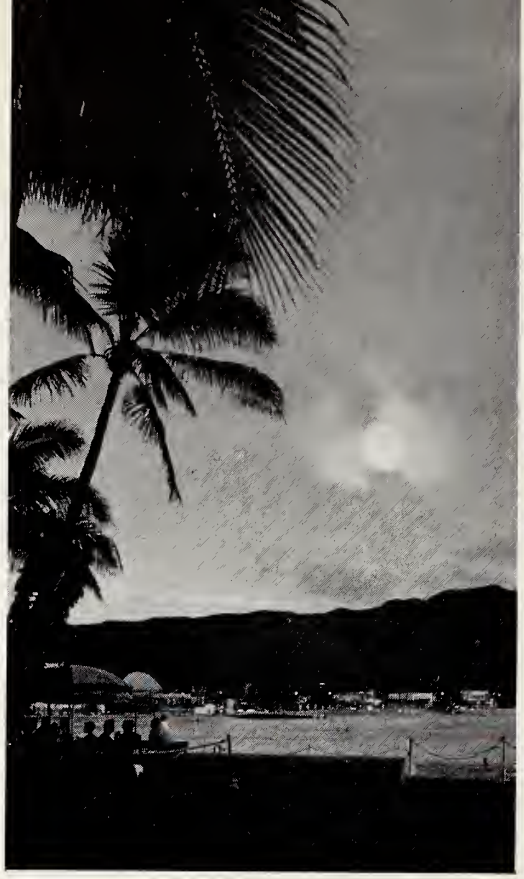

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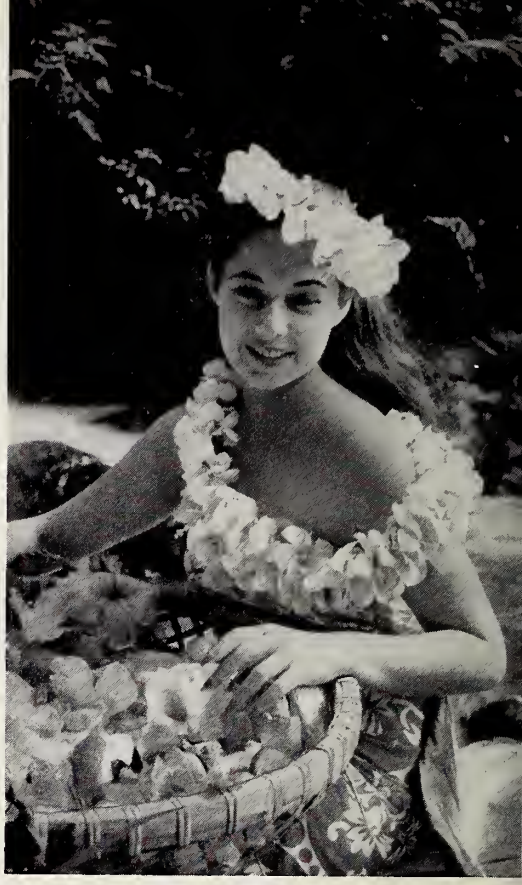

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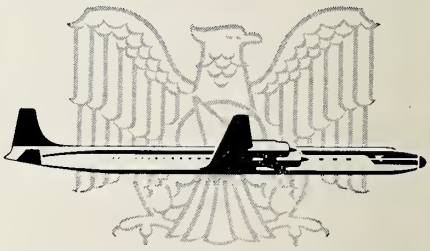

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Calendar of Events

Friday, August 21

9:30 a.m.
Meetings of all Standing Commissions and Committees (See Page 12)

10:00 a.m.
Pre-Marche Eight and Forty Committee meetings (See Pages 54-55)

1:00 p.m.
Eight and Forty Pre-Marche Pouvoir (See Page 55)

7:30 p.m.
La Marche National, Eight and Forty, Gold Room, Radisson Hotel

Saturday, August 22

8:00 a.m.
Junior Drum and Bugle Corps Contest, University of Minnesota Stadium

9:00 a.m.
Eight and Forty Marche reconvenes, Gold Room, Radisson Hotel

1:00 p.m.
Band Contest, Northrop Auditorium and Field

2:00 p.m.
Color Guard Contest, Delta Field, University of Minnesota
Junior Band Cantest, Northrop Auditorium and Field
Motorcycle Drill Team Contest, Graco Square Ramp, 60 11th Ave., N.E., Minneapolis

Afternoon
Election of National Eight and Forty Officers for 1959-60, Gold Room, Radisson Hotel

5:00 p.m.
Society of American Legion Founders, Reception and Dinner Minneapolis Athletic Club

7:30 p.m.
Eight and Forty Marche National Banquet, Ballroom, Radisson Hotel

Sunday, August 23

8:00 a.m.
Senior Drum and Bugle Corps Preliminaries, University of Minnesota Stadium

9:00 a.m.
Firing Squad Contest, Delta Field, University of Minnesota
American Legion Auxiliary National Executive Committee Meets, Gold Room, Radisson Hotel

10:00 a.m.
Initial meetings of all American Legion Convention Committees (See Page 13)

10:30 a.m.
Advance meetings of American Legion Auxiliary National Committees (See Page 44)

11:30 a.m.
Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans in Canada, Luncheon, Minneapolis Athletic Club

12:30 p.m.
Advance meeting of American Legion Auxiliary National Committees (See Pages 44-45)

1:00 p.m.
Junior Color Guard Contest, Delta Field, University of Minnesota

2:00 p.m.
National Executive Committee, The American Legion, East Room, Curtis Hotel

2:30 p.m.
Chorus Contest, Municipal Auditorium

4:30 p.m.
Memorial Program, Municipal Auditorium (See Page 23)

6:50 p.m.
Senior Drum and Bugle Corps Finals and Parade of Champions, University of Minnesota Stadium

Monday, August 24

7:30 a.m.
National Chaplain's Breakfast (See Page 61)

9:00 a.m.
Start of American Legion National Convention Parade (See Pages 34-41)
Eight and Forty Post Marche Pouvoir, Admiral Room, Radisson Hotel

7:30 p.m.
Opening Session, American Legion Auxiliary National Convention, Minneapolis Vocational High School and Technical Institute

Tuesday, August 25

8:30 a.m.
American Legion Auxiliary National Convention reconvenes, Minneapolis Vocational High School and Technical Institute

9:00 a.m.
Opening Session, American Legion National Convention, Minneapolis Municipal Auditorium

10:00 a.m.
Meetings of Forty and Eight Committees (See Page 50)

11:00 a.m.
American Legion Auxiliary Convention recess to meet in joint session with American Legion National Convention in Municipal Auditorium

12:45 p.m.
Presentation of American Legion Distinguished Service Medal to Senator Robert S. Kerr, Municipal Auditorium

1:45 p.m.
Address by Vice President Richard M. Nixon, Municipal Auditorium

3:00 p.m.
American Legion Auxiliary Divisional Caucuses, Radisson Hotel (See Page 47)
Opening of Forty and Eight Promenade National, St. Paul Auditorium

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7:00 p.m.
National Commander's Dinner to Distinguished Guests; Address by Gen. Lauris Norstad, Hall of States, Hotel Leamington

8:00 p.m.
Annual Forty and Eight Parade, St. Paul (See Pages 52-53)

10:00 p.m.
Forty and Eight Blue Chapeau Dance, Ballroom, St. Paul Hotel

Wednesday, August 26

8:00 a.m.
National Historian's Breakfast (See Page 61)

9:00 a.m.
American Legion National Convention reconvenes, Municipal Auditorium
American Legion Auxiliary National Convention reconvenes, Minneapolis Vocational High School and Technical Institute

9:30 a.m.
Meetings of Forty and Eight Committees (See Page 51)

Morning
Address by Ambassador You Chan Yang of Korea to American Legion Auxiliary National Convention, Minneapolis Vocational High School and Technical Institute

12:30 p.m.
National Yeomen (F) luncheon and meeting, Donaldson's, Southdale

1:00 p.m.
Forty and Eight Promenade National reconvenes, St. Paul Auditorium

1:15 p.m.
Address by former President Harry S. Truman, Municipal Auditorium

Afternoon
Election of Forty and Eight National Officers for 1959-60, St. Paul Auditorium

7:00 p.m.
American Legion Auxiliary States Dinner, St. Paul Auditorium
Forty and Eight Banquet, Ballroom, St. Paul Hotel

8:30 p.m.
Convention Ball. Sponsored by United States Brewers Foundation. Prom Center on the Midway

Thursday, August 27

8:30 a.m.
American Legion Auxiliary National Convention reconvenes, Minneapolis Vocational High School and Technical Institute

9:00 a.m.
American Legion National Convention reconvenes, Municipal Auditorium

10:00 a.m.
Address by Senator Lyndon B. Johnson, Municipal Auditorium

11:00 a.m.
Address by George Meany, Municipal Auditorium

12 Noon
Election of National Officers of The American Legion for 1959-60, Municipal Auditorium

Morning
Election of American Legion Auxiliary National Officers for 1959-60, Minneapolis Vocational High School and Technical Institute

Afternoon
National Executive Committee, The American Legion. (Probably immediately following adjournment of Convention)

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as the center of the flour milling industry and is the largest cash grain market in the U.S.

Today, Minnesota's largest city, Minneapolis, has become a diversified industrial center, with 1310 manufacturing plants. It is a world center for linseed oil products, an important center for the manufacture of jewelry, apparel, dairy and food products, iron and steel products, animal feeds, furniture, pottery, mill work, confectionery products and artificial limbs.

On the other hand, while St. Paul, the capitol city, was characterized by no single industry, such as flour milling, during its early days, it soon began developing as a key manufacturing and distributing center.

St. Paul is redolent with the flavor of James J. Hill, the justly named "Empire Builder," who by founding the Great Northern Railroad, helped to open the Great Northwest. St. Paul today is the headquarters for not only the Great Northern but also its competitor, the Northern Pacific Railroad.

St. Paul has 950 manufacturing industries, and it is also the home of the nation's largest law book publishing firm; one of five largest publishers of farm periodicals; the nation's largest manufacturer of advertising specialties; and the number one maker of refrigerators. The city is headquarters for one of the largest manufacturers of lumber and other forest products; and the home base of sprawling Minnesota-Mining and Manufacturing Co., the largest maker in the U.S. of surface-coated abrasives and pressure-sensitive tapes.

Both cities are the hubs for in-

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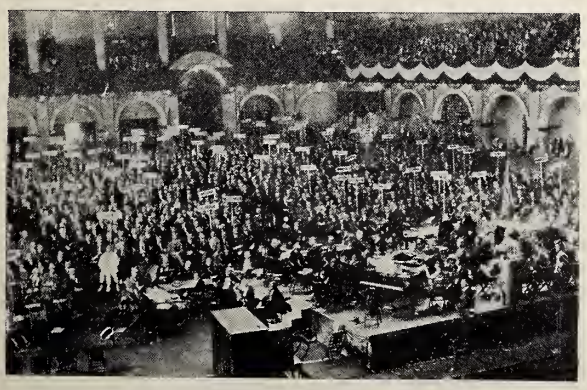
Twin Cities Memories
1919 Minneapolis

Less than a year old, The American Legion marched down Nicollet Avenue in Minneapolis in its first National Convention Parade on November 11, 1919, the first anniversary of Armistice Day.

1924 St. Paul

In 1924, the Legion returned to the Twin Cities to hold its sixth National Convention in St. Paul. Above, massed Legionnaires from Iowa parade past the State Capitol.



This picture, now fading with time, shows the Legion assembled in St. Paul for its 6th National Convention in 1924.

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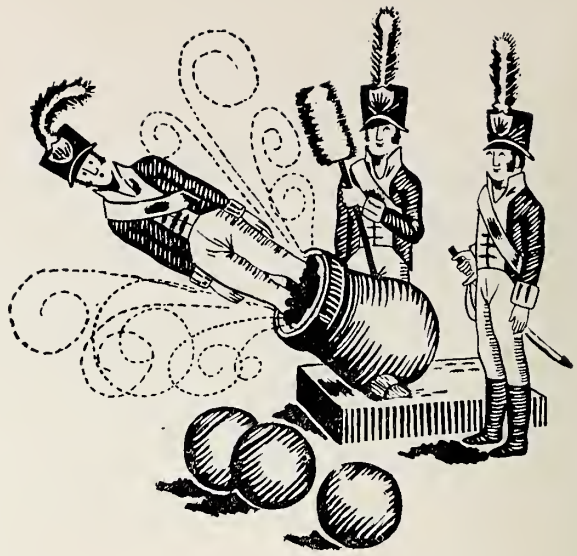

A group of combat veterans were swapping experiences

during lights-out in an Army hospital ward when the conversation turned to the distinctive sound made by the German 88 shells.

"I remember one night in France," said a sergeant who had been awarded the Purple Heart. "We had just started to sack out when them 88's began zeroing in on us. Everybody headed for the slit trenches—everybody but me. I couldn't get out of my sleeping bag! The zipper was stuck tight and I could hear the 88's walking closer and closer."

A sympathetic silence came over the darkened ward. Then an anxious voice asked, "What did you do?"

"Man," the sergeant replied, "don't ever let anybody tell you that you can't run with a sleeping bag on!"

EDWARD P. REILLY *(Niagara Falls, N. Y.)*

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That's just a sample from Reader's Digest fun-filled feature, "Humor in Uniform." But read on...

The young soldier was taking his girl on a tour of the Army base. The couple approached a rifle range just as a group of trainees fired at a line of targets. The girl, frightened by the sudden noise, flung herself into the soldier's arms. Visitors and soldiers standing nearby smiled. The girl blushed and stepped back, saying, "I'm sorry. I didn't mean to get so frightened."

"Oh, that's all right," the GI said with a grin. "Now let's go and watch the heavy artillery."

THOMAS LAUENSTEIN *(Hazlet, N. J.)*

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The men waiting to board the troopship were told they had 30 minutes until loading time. They fell out, unstrapped their packs and relaxed. As often happens, the whistle blew five minutes later. In the rush, equipment was scattered, tempers flared and shouts resounded: "Where's my entrenching tool?" "Where's my pack?" At the peak of the confusion, tension was broken when one man asked meekly, "Has anyone seen my hand-grenade pin?"

R. G. B. *(Marshallton, Pa.)*

As I sat next to a WAF officer, waiting for a meeting to begin, I was reading an article in a news magazine describing the difficulties the Army and the Navy were having in determining the regulation height of their female members' heels. Pointing out the article to the WAF, I asked, "How high do you like your heels?"

"Oh," she replied, "about six feet two!"

MAJ. RICHARD R. THUMA, JR. *(APO 125, New York, N. Y.)*

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To fill out the regimental boxing team, a GI was prevailed upon by his buddies to enter the divisional tournament. He had never been in a fight in his life and looked forward to his first bout with ill-concealed panic.

When he came back to the barracks after the fight, he was in terrible shape. "You poor guy," said the GI in the next bunk.

"That's not the half of it," gasped the boxer. "I gotta fight again. I won."

YN2 DONALD L. GUNNELS *(FPO, San Francisco, Calif.)*

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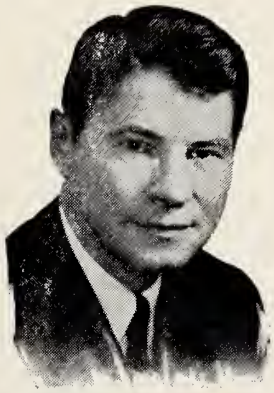

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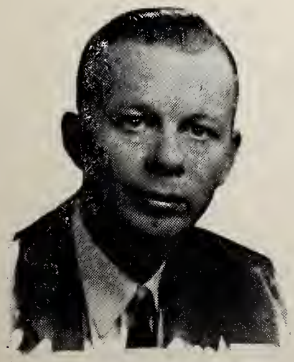

P. Kenneth Peterson
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The Cover Painting

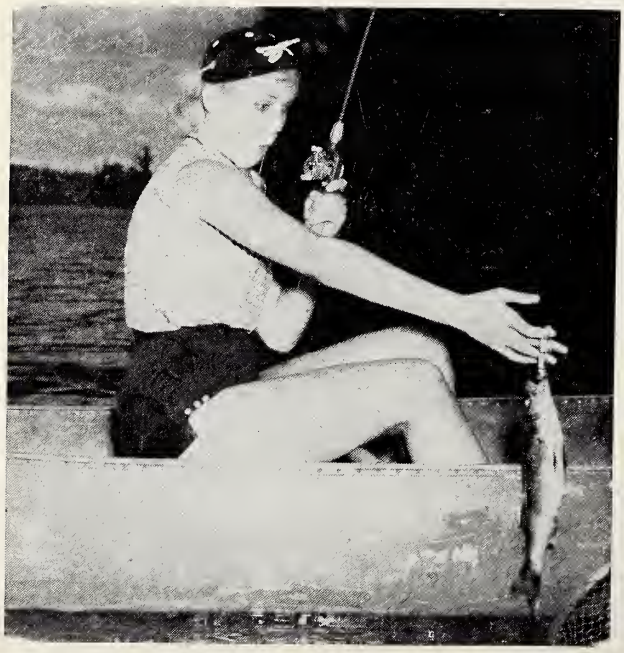
The cover painting for the 41st Annual American Legion National Convention Program was inspired by the return of the Convention to Minneapolis-St. Paul—the site of the first Convention in 1919. It depicts the Delegates Badge of that first Convention beside the 1959 Badge. The draped red, white, and blue bunting and The American Legion colors add a patriotic flavor to the design.

According to the artist, Robert Geissmann, the French would call the style of this type of painting "trompe l'oeil." In the United States, it is sometimes called "magic realism."

Mr. Geissmann, during World War II, was art director for the Army Air Force Combat Film Unit. Two years ago he was given the U.S. Air Force Exceptional Service Award for his work in establishing an art program which is recording for posterity the worldwide activities of the USAF. His own paintings have been widely shown and have brought him a number of awards.

He was born in New Washington, Ohio, and had his major schooling at Warren, Ohio, and at the School of Fine and Applied Arts, Ohio State University. Major advertising agencies are included among his clients today.

Angler's Paradise



Many Legionnaires and their families plan a Minnesota vacation following the adjournment of the National Convention. The state's more than 10,000 lakes offer unexcelled fishing.

The Host State

As nearly everyone must know by this time, the proudest boast of the Minnesotan is that his state is the land of 10,000 lakes. Even so, residents of the North Star State should be applauded for their reserve, since the state is actually dotted with more than 11,000 of them.

Blessed with this water playground, Minnesotans long ago learned the high art of entertaining, caring for and feeding vacationing families from other states and foreign nations. The tourist business ranks fourth as a wealth-producing activity, behind agriculture, manufacturing and mining.

Convention Exhibits

Legionnaires, their families, and friends are encouraged to visit the exhibit booths in the Minneapolis Auditorium. Advertisers in THE AMERICAN LEGION MAGAZINE are well represented and you will find the exhibits interesting and educational.

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Looking Ahead!

The National Convention Commission of The American Legion is already making plans for the next three annual National Conventions.

Dates and sites for reunions in 1960, 1961, and 1962 were approved by the National Executive Committee, on the recommendation of the Convention Commission, at its spring 1959 meeting. They are

Miami Beach, Florida
October 15-20, 1960
Denver, Colorado
September 6-14, 1961
Detroit, Michigan
August 26-30, 1962

These assignments were made subject to the provision that the "cities shall satisfy the minimum requirements of the National Organization pertaining to adequate housing and facilities prior to the execution of the Convention Contract."

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numerable truck lines, and both are leading wholesale centers, serving the vast openess of the Upper Midwest. Minneapolis boasts 1,634 wholesale distributors, St. Paul has more than 600.

Both cities enjoy excellent department stores and specialty shops which have the enviable position of attracting shoppers from four states and a portion of Wisconsin. Because of this Nicollet avenue in Minneapolis has become a sort of Fifth Avenue for the entire Upper Midwest.

A new entry into the Twin Cities commercial picture is the booming electronic industry. The two towns already rank as the fourth or fifth largest electronic center in the country.

The cities always were a major center for production of hearing aids. During World War II, the skill of their residents became nationally recognized because of amazingly low reject rates in precision product manufacturing.

St. Paul Auditorium

The St. Paul Auditorium, which will be the scene of the annual States Dinner of the Legion Auxiliary on Wednesday evening, August 26, is one of the largest and best equipped buildings of its type in the United States.

Located at the immediate edge of the city's downtown business district, within two and three blocks of the two largest hotels, the auditorium is adaptable to a variety of entertainments; an ice hockey game may be played one night and a convention, circus or concert occupy the same area next day.

St. Paul's Summer Pop Concerts, staged in the main arena each July and August, have gained national attention as unique summer entertainment. A regularly scheduled Pop Concert and Ice Review will be a feature of the States Dinner.

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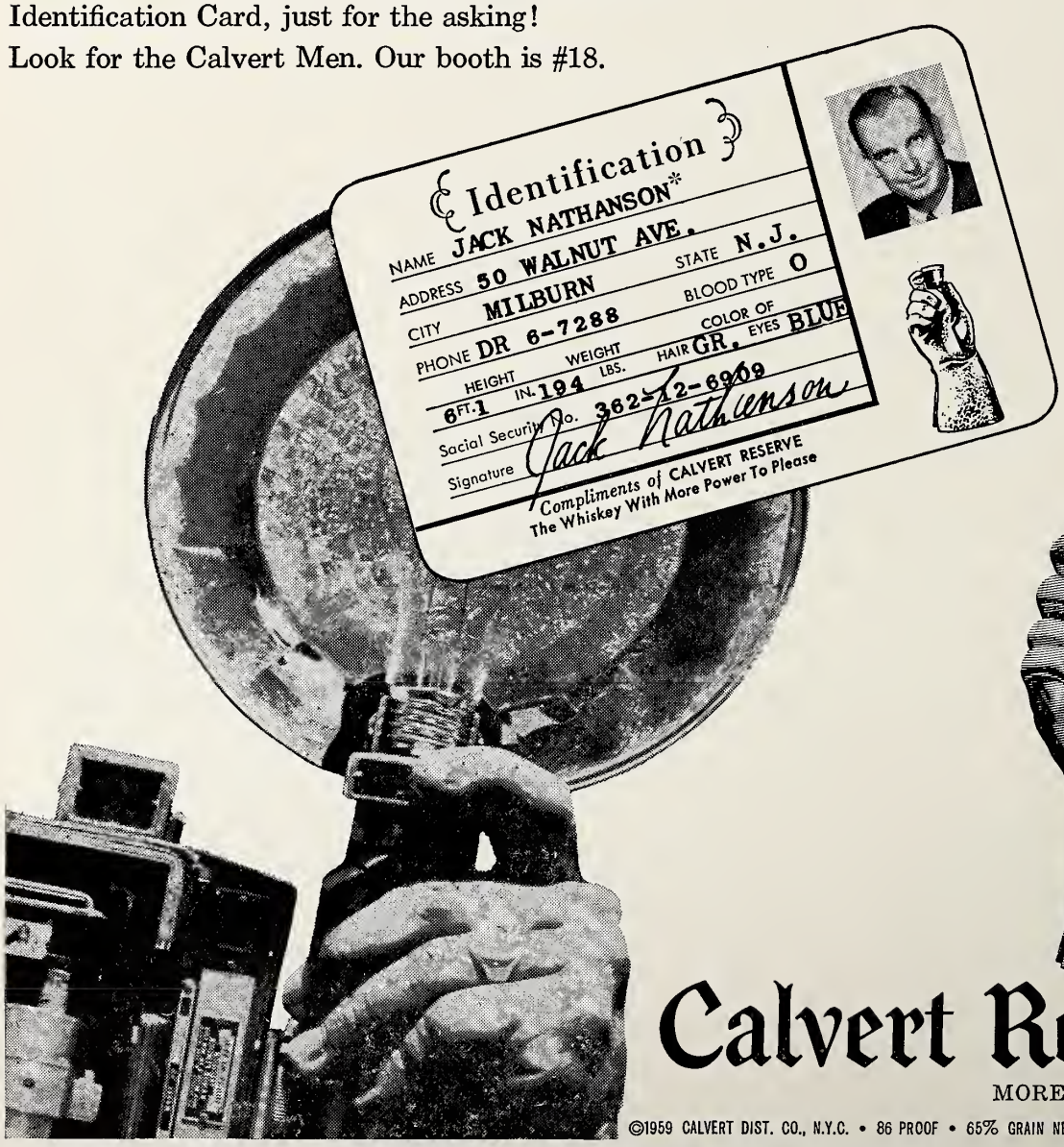

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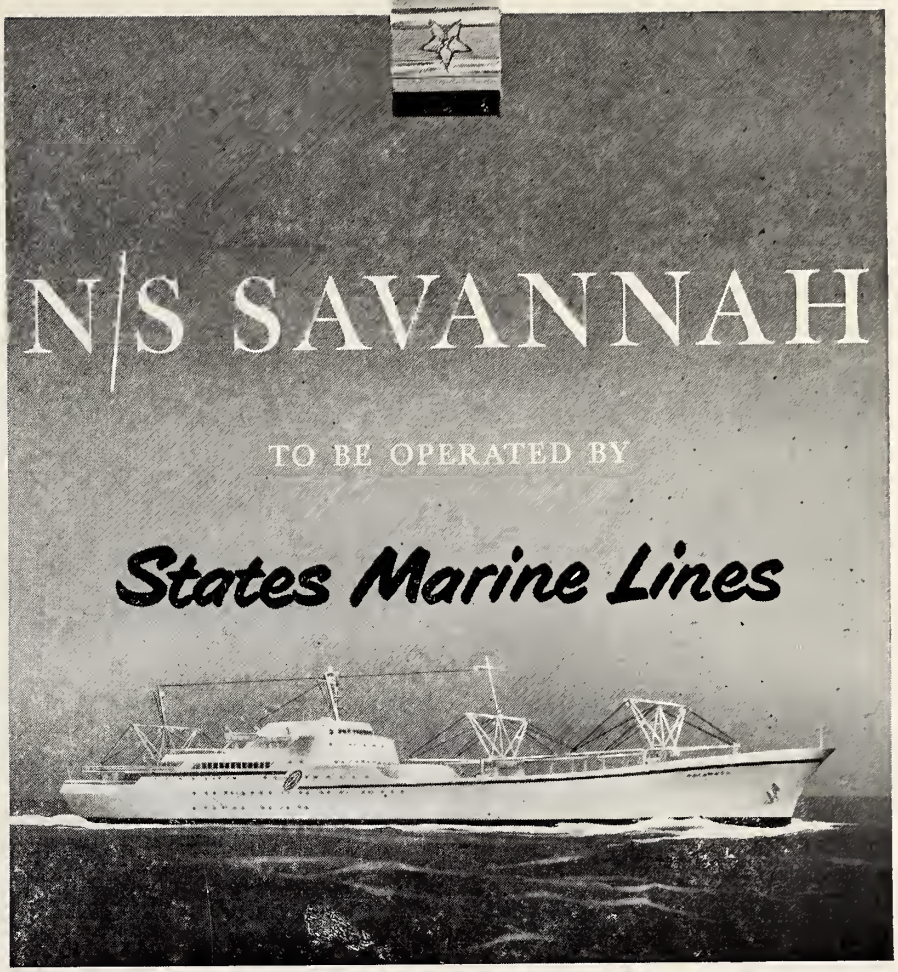

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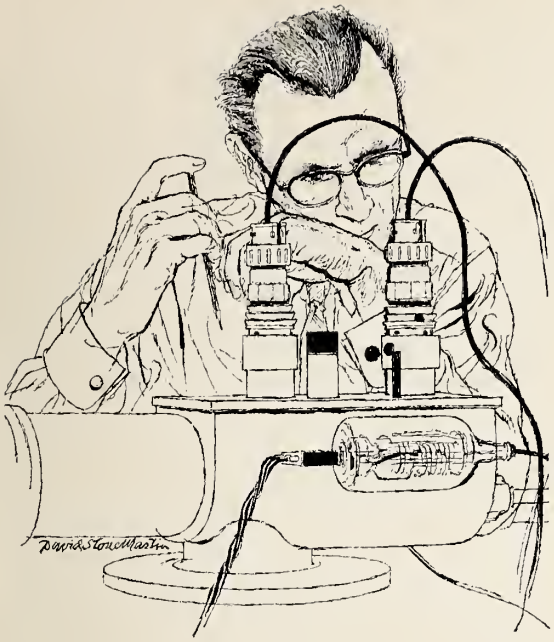

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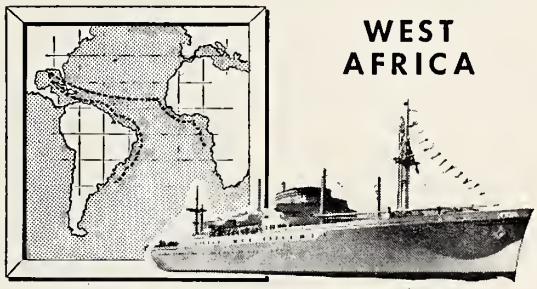

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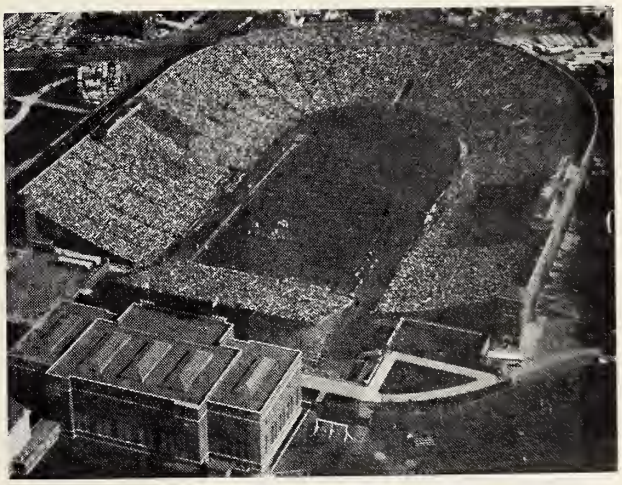

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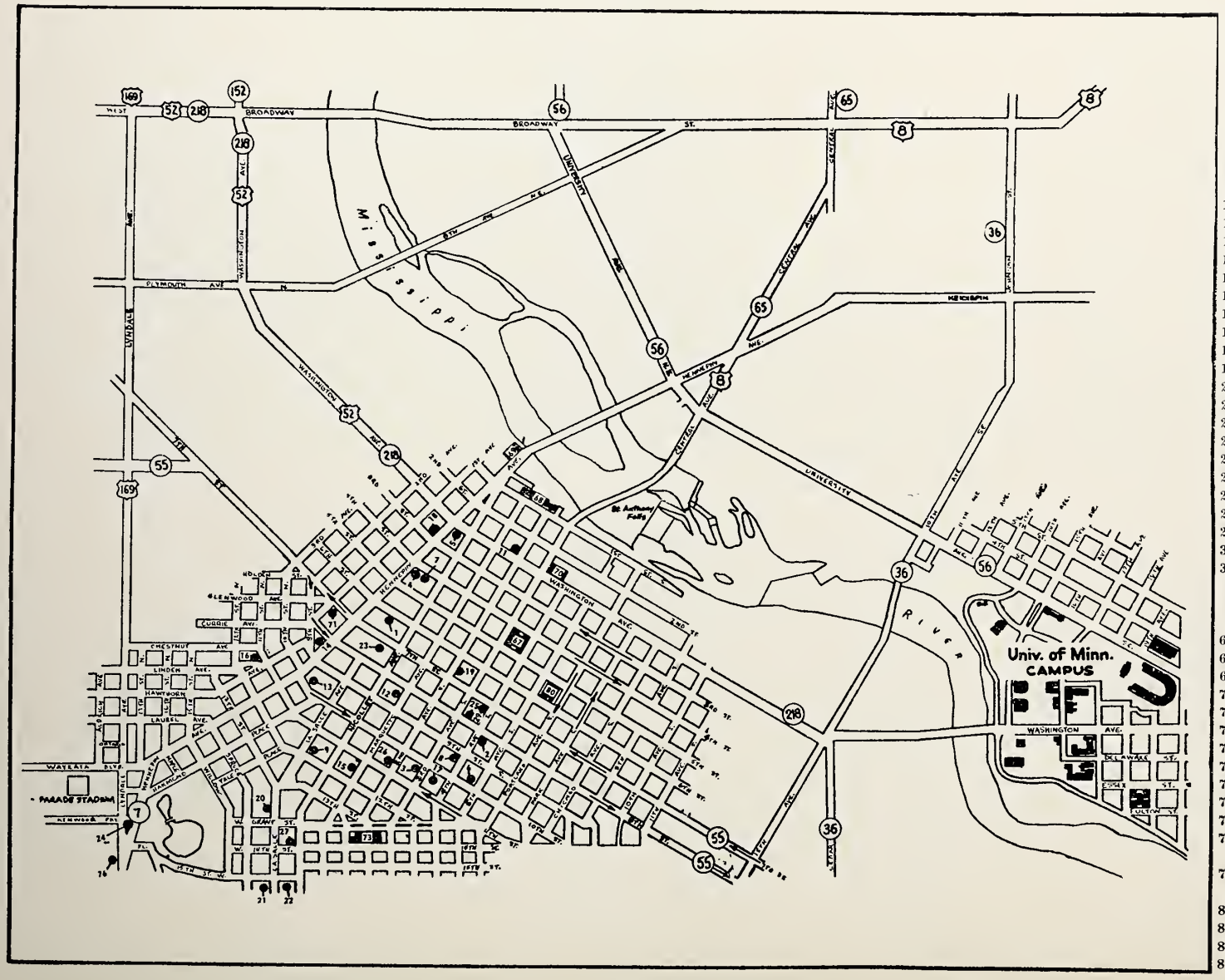

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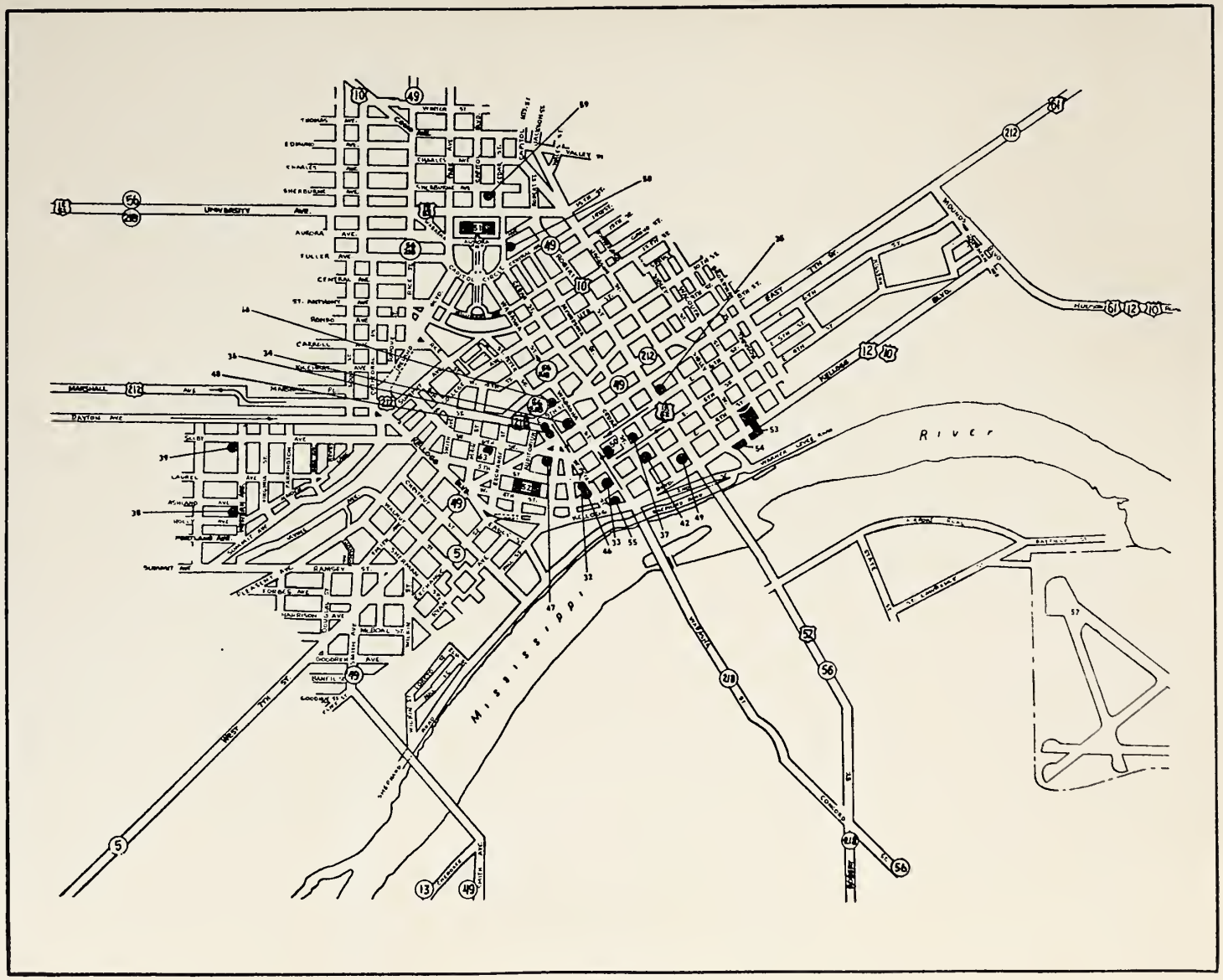

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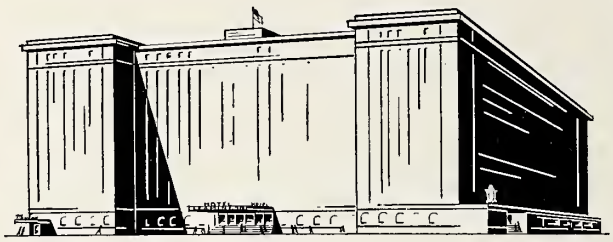

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